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Wife, who has assisted much in the labor of this book,
and the great army of loyal workers of every
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for the advancement of His kingdom,
salvation of souls, and the pro-
motion of Gospel truth,
we humbly and sincerely dedicate these pages.

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Preface.

At the request of many of God's children, and from a God-given conviction, we bestow the result of six years of research, prayer, and hard study upon the public, without apology, praying that many may take advantage of these pages to the extent that they may prove enlightment, instruction, conviction, and salvation to them.

The best commentary on the Bible is the Bible itself, and we believe these Bible readings will be useful in private study as well as public service, and especially helpful to those who are called to conduct a service on short notice. It is our sincere desire and earnest prayer that God may make these Bible readings a great help and blessing to all of God's servants and to His people of every name.

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WORKER'S COMPANION.

All Things.

1. *All things are freely given.*

"He that spared not His own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?" Rom. 8:32.

2. *All things are possible.*

"If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth." Mk. 9:23.

3. *All things work together for good.*

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God." Rom. 8:28.

4. *All things received by prayer.*

"And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." Matt. 21:22.

5. *All things done through Jesus.*

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13.

6. *All needs supplied.*

"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:19.

7. *All care upon Him.*

"Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you." 1 Pet. 5:7.

8. *Preserved from all evil.*

"The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul." Ps. 121:7.

Abiding in Christ.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

1. *Sin not.*

"Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him." 1 Jno. 3:6.

2. *Christlikeness.*

"He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk even as he walked." 1 Jno. 2:6.

3. *Power in prayer.*

"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." Jno. 15:7.

4. *Fruitful.*

"I am the vine, ye are the branches: he that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing." Jno. 15:5.

5. *Protecting wing.*

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High,

shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." Ps. 91 : 1.

6. *Comforted.*

"And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever." Jno. 14 : 16.

7. *Boldness or assurance at His coming.*

"And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming." 1 Jno. 2 : 28.

Abounding Christian.

THEY ABOUND IN WHAT?

1. *In faith.*

"Therefore as ye abound in everything, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also." 2 Cor. 8 : 7.

2. *In knowledge.*

"Therefore as ye abound in everything, in faith, and utterance, and and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also." 2 Cor. 8 : 7.

3. *In utterance.*

"Therefore as ye abound in everything, in faith, and utterance, and and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in

your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also." 2 Cor. 8:7.

4. *In love.*

"And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment." Phil. 1:19.

5. *In grace.*

"And in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also." 2 Cor. 8:7.

6. *In diligence.*

"Therefore, as ye abound in everything, in faith, ... and in all diligence." 2 Cor. 8:7.

7. *In suffering.*

"For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ." 2 Cor. 1:5.

8. *In hope.*

"Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost." Rom. 15:13.

9. *In blessing.*

"A faithful man shall abound with blessings." Prov. 28:20.

10. *In the work of the Lord.*

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Cor. 15:58.

Another Comforter.

I. PROMISED BY JESUS.

"And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever." Jno. 14: 16.

II. GIVEN BY THE FATHER.

"And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever." Jno. 14: 16.

III. SENT BY JESUS.

"But when the Comforter is come whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me." Jno. 15: 26.

IV. HIS FILLING COMMANDED.

"Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess, but be filled with the Spirit." Eph. 5: 18.

V. HIS EFFECTS.

1. *Gives liberty.*

"And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." 2 Cor. 3: 17.

2. *Gives power.*

"But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1: 8.

3. *Easy to testify.*

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

4. *Steadfastness in prayer.*

"And they continued steadfast in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers." Acts 2:42.

5. *In doctrine and fellowship.*

"And they continued steadfast in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers." Acts 2:42.

6. *Boldness.*

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness." Acts 4:31.

7. *Draws the multitude.*

"Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together and were confounded." Acts 2:6.

8. *Brings a oneness.*

"These all continued with one accord in prayer and in supplication." Acts 1:14.

9. *Brings joy.*

"Did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart praising God, and having favor with all the people." Acts 2:46.

10. *Wins souls.*

"And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." Acts 2:47.

VI. FOR WHOM.

1. *Believers only.*

"Even the Spirit of truth whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him, but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." Jno. 14:17; 17:16, 17.

2. "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth, thy word is truth." Jno. 17:16, 17.

VII. RECEIVED HOW?

1. *Instantaneously.*

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost." Acts 2:1, 2, 4.

2. *By faith.*

"And God, which knoweth the hearts, bear them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost even as he did unto us. And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith." Acts 15:8, 9.

Abundant Salvation.

1. *Abundant mercy.*

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." 1 Pet. 1 : 3.

2. *Abundant pardon.*

"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." Isa. 55 : 7.

3. *Abundant life.*

"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." Jno. 10 : 10.

4. *Abundant grace.*

"For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which received abundance of grace, and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ." Rom. 5 : 17.

5. *Abundance of peace.*

"But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace." Ps. 37 : 11. "Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth." Jer. 33 : 6.

6. *Abundance of the Holy Ghost.*

"Not by works of righteousness which we have done,

but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior." Tit. 3:5, 6.

7. *To the free giver.*

"For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath." Matt. 25:29.

8. *Abundant satisfaction.*

"They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures." Ps. 36:8.

9. *Abundant rejoicing.*

"That your rejoicing may be more abundant in Jesus Christ." Phil. 1:26.

10. *Abundantly enlarged.*

"But having hope when your faith is increased, that we shall be enlarged by you according to our rule abundantly." 2 Cor. 10:15.

11. *An abundant entrance in.*

"For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." 2 Pet. 1:11.

At the Feet of Jesus.

1. *Pardon at His feet.*

"And stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began

to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with ointment. Wherefore I say unto thee, her sins, which are many, are forgiven: for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little, and he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven. And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also? And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace." Lu. 7:38, 47-50.

2. *Intercession.*

"For a certain woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet. The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter." Mk. 7:25, 26.

3. *Worship.*

"As they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail! And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him." Matt. 28:9.

4. *Taught.*

"And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word." Lu. 10:39.

5. *Healing.*

"Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid. They also

which saw it told them by what means he that was possessed of the devils was healed." Lu. 8:35, 36.

6. *Comfort.*

"The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there. Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died." Jno. 11:31, 32.

7. *Thanksgiving.*

"And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God. And fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks." Lu. 17:15, 16.

8. *Saints found.*

"Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid." Lu. 8:35.

Asking.

I. WHOM TO ASK.

1. *Our Heavenly Father.*

"Whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you." Jno. 15:16.

II. How to Ask.

1. *In the name of Christ.*

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it." Jno. 14:13, 14.

2. *In prayer and faith.*

"And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." Matt. 21:22.

III. What to Ask For.

1. *Old paths and good way.*

"Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls." Jer. 6:16.

2. *The Holy Ghost.*

"If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him." Lu. 11:13.

3. *Fullness of joy.*

"Ask and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full." Jno. 16:24.

4. *Wisdom.*

"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God that

giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not: and it shall be given him." Jas. 1:5.

5. *Anything.*

"If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it." Jno. 14:14.

IV. Conditions of Asking.

1. *Abide in Christ.*

"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." Jno. 15:7.

2. *Do the things that please Him.*

"And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight." 1 Jno. 3:22.

Boldness of Seven Men.

1. *Shadrack bold in the time of persuasion.*

"If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up." Dan. 3:17, 18.

2. *Daniel bold in prayer.*

"Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and, his windows being opened

in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he knelt upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime." Dan. 6: 10.

3. *Barnabas bold in speech.*

"Speaking boldly in the Lord, which gave testimony unto the word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands." Acts 14: 3.

4. *David bold in battle.*

"Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield; but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied." 1 Sam. 17: 45.

5. *Apollos bold in teaching.*

"And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue; whom when Acquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly." Acts 18: 26.

6. *Paul bold in preaching.*

"And declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus." Acts 9: 27.

7. *Peter bold in God's service.*

"Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marveled; and they took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus." Acts 4: 13.

Be Clean.

I. We Should be Clean.

1. *From all sin.*

"Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin." Ps. 51:2.

2. *From all idols.*

"Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you." Ezek. 36:25.

3. *From all filthiness.*

"Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you." Ezek. 36:25. "Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." 2 Cor. 7:1.

4. *From the blood of all men.*

"Your blood be upon your own heads; I am clean." Acts 18:6.

II. Being Cleansed Includes.

1. *Clean hands.*

"Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts ye doubleminded." Jas. 4:8.

2. *A clean heart.*

"Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God." Matt. 5:8.

3. *A clean way.*

"Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word." Ps. 119:9.

4. *Clean body and conscience.*

"Let us draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water." Heb. 10:22.

Bells.

Bells are used for many purposes, they illustrate the calls and warnings of God.

1. *The fire bell of warning—escape for thy life.*

"Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed." Gen. 19:17.

2. *The church bell of love—God so loved the world.*

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Jno. 3:16.

3. *The dinner bell of grace—come for all things are ready.*

"Behold I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage." Matt. 22:4.

4. *The school bell of light—learn of me.*

"Take my yoke upon you and learn of me, for I am

meek and lowly in heart and ye shall find rest unto your souls." Matt. 11 : 29.

5. *The work bell of life—work to-day.*

"Son, go work to-day in my vineyard." Matt. 21 : 28.

6. *The golden bell of testimony.*

"A golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, upon the hem of the robe round about." Ex. 28 : 34.

7. *The passing bell of death.*

"And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." Heb. 9 : 27.

Bible B's From Gospel Hives.

1. *Be saved.*

"Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth : for I am God, and there is none else." Isa. 45 : 22.

2. *Be filled.*

"And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess, but be filled with the Spirit." Eph. 5 : 18.

3. *Be holy.*

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation." 1 Pet. 1 : 15, 16.

4. *Be strong.*

"Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might." Eph. 6 : 10.

5. *Be obedient.*

"When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the Lord thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice." Deut. 4:30.

6. *Be steadfast.*

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Cor. 15:58.

7. *Be witnesses.*

"But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Acts 1:8.

8. *Be joyful.*

"Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds." Ps. 149:5.

9. *Be a light.*

"For so hath the Lord commanded us saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldst be for salvation unto the ends of the earth." Acts 13:47.

10. *Be followers.*

"And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?" 1 Pet. 3:13. "Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children." Eph. 5:1.

11. *Be diligent.*

"Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks and look well to thy herds." Prov. 27:23.

12. *Be watchful and prayerful.*

"Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation." Mk. 14:38.

13. *Be faithful.*

"And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after." Heb. 3:5.

14. *Be ready.*

"Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." Matt. 24:44.

Backsliding.

I. BACKSLIDING DEFINED.

1. *Losing the first love.*

"Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent." Rev. 2:4, 5.

2. *Drifting away from the gospel standard of truth.*

"Ye are fallen from grace. Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?" Gal. 5:4, 7.

3. *Turning from God.*

"And the Lord was angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned from the Lord God of Israel, which had appeared unto him twice." 1 Kings 11:9.

II. BACKSLIDING IS POSSIBLE.

1. *Adam and Eve by disobedience fell.*

"For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners." Rom. 5:19.

2. *Angels through disobedience fell.*

"How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning, how art thou cut down to the ground, which did weaken the nations." Isa. 14:12.

3. *Judas by transgression fell.*

"Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place." Acts 1:25.

4. *When we think we stand take heed lest we fall.*

"Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall." 1 Cor. 10:12.

III. SIGNS OF BACKSLIDING.

1. *Losing the love to study the Scriptures or for his will.*

"Because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me." Jno. 5:30.

2. *Losing love for, and neglecting secret prayer.*

"But thou when thou prayest enter into thy closet,

and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to the Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." Matt. 6:6.

3. *Failing to assemble with God's people.*

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another; and so much the more as ye see the day approaching." Heb. 10:25.

4. *Noticing and finding fault with everybody.*

"Charity suffereth long and is kind, charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up." 1 Cor. 13:4.

5. *Ceasing to shout God's praises.*

"I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth." Ps. 34:1.

6. *Dead formal meetings.*

"God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in Spirit and in truth." Jno. 4:24.

7. *Dry, lifeless sermons.*

"And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." 1 Cor. 2:4.

IV. THE BIBLE TEACHES.

1. *It is not necessary for people to backslide.*

"To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who

are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." 1 Pet. 1:4, 5.

2. *A backslider is in a worse condition than if he had never been saved.*

"For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them." 2 Pet. 2:21.

By and in Faith.

1. *Justified by faith.*

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Rom. 5:1.

2. *Sanctified by faith.*

"To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me." Acts 26:18.

3. *Purified by faith.*

"And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith." Acts 15:9.

4. *Stand by faith.*

"By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God." Rom. 5:2.

5. *Live by faith.*

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live: yet not I but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." Gal. 2:20.

6. *Walk by faith.*

"For we walk by faith, and not by sight." 2 Cor. 5:7.

7. *Ask in faith.*

"But let him ask in faith nothing wavering, for he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed." Jas. 1:6.

8. *Overcome by faith.*

"And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." 1 Jno. 5:4.

9. *Boldness in faith.*

"For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus." 1 Tim. 3:13.

10. *Resist in faith.*

"Whom resist steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world." 1 Pet. 5:9.

11. *Continue in faith.*

"Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety." 1 Tim. 2:15.

12. *Rich in faith.*

"Hath not God chosen the poor of this world, rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him." Jas. 2:5.

13. *Die in faith.*

"These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth." Heb. 11:13.

Behold.

1. "BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called the sons of God." 1 Jno. 3:1.

2. "BEHOLD, I was shapen in iniquity and in sin did my mother conceive me." Ps. 51:5.

3. "BEHOLD, I bring you glad tidings of great joy which shall be to all people." Lu. 2:10.

4. "BEHOLD, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy that it cannot hear." Isa. 59:1.

5. "BEHOLD the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." Jno. 1:29.

6. "BEHOLD, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." 2 Cor. 6:2.

7. "BEHOLD, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to him, and sup with him and he with me." Rev. 3:20.

8. "BEHOLD, I see heaven opened and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God." Acts 7:56.

9. "BEHOLD, the bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him." Matt. 25:6.

Carnality in the Disciples.

BIBLE PROOF THAT THEY WERE NOT SANCTIFIED BEFORE PENTECOST.

1. *They were revengeful.*

"And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did? But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of." Lu. 9:54, 55.

2. *They were uncharitable and bigoted.*

"And John answered him saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbade him, because he followeth not us." Mk. 9:38.

3. *Perfect love had not yet cast out fear.*

"But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled." Matt. 26:56.

4. *Jesus promised to sanctify and told them to tarry.*

"And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon

you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high." Lu. 24:49.

5. *They were self-seeking.*

"But they held their peace: for by the way they had disputed among themselves, who should be the greatest." Mk. 9:34.

6. *They were hasty.*

"And, behold, one of them which was with Jesus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest, and smote off his ear." Matt. 26:51.

7. *They had worldly ambition.*

"And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left, in thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able." Matt. 20:21, 22.

8. *They were prejudiced.*

"And John answered him saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbade him, because he followeth not us." Mk. 9:38.

9. *They had unbelief.*

"And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not." Mk 16:11.

10. *They had cowardice.*

"And they all forsook him and fled." Mk. 14: 50.

Christians' Calling.

I. GOD'S CHOICE CALLED.

"For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called; but God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty." 1 Cor. 1: 26, 27.

II. CALLED UNTO WHAT?

1. Called unto holiness.

"For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness." 1 Thess. 4: 7.

2. *Called unto glory and virtue.*

"According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue." 2 Pet. 1: 3.

3. *Called unto peace.*

"But God hath called us to peace." 1 Cor. 7: 15.

4. *Called unto riches.*

"The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and

what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints." Eph. 1 : 18.

5. *Called unto unity.*

"There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling." Eph. 4 : 4.

6. *Called unto suffering.*

"For even hereunto were ye called; because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps." 1 Pet. 2 : 21.

III. HIS CALLINGS ARE TERMED.

1. *Holy calling.*

"Who hath saved us and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began." 2 Tim. 1 : 9.

2. *High calling.*

"I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Phil. 3 : 14.

3. *Heavenly calling.*

"Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus." Heb. 3 : 1.

IV. CALLING AND ELECTION SURE.

"Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall." 2 Pet. 1 : 10.

Comfort.

I. GOD, THE SOURCE OF COMFORT.

"The God of all comfort; who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God." 2 Cor. 1:3, 4.

II. HOW HE COMFORTS.

1. *By His Son.*

"For the Lord shall comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody." Isa. 51:3.

2. *By His Spirit.*

"And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever." Jno. 14:16.

3. *By His word.*

"For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning; that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope." Rom. 15:4.

4. *By His rod and staff.*

"Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." Ps. 23:4.

III. WHOM HE COMFORTS.

1. *They that mourn.*

"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted." Matt. 5:4.

2. *They that are afflicted.*

"This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy word quickened me." Ps. 119:50.

3. *They that are downcast.*

"Nevertheless God, that comforteth those that are cast down, comforted us by the coming of Titus." 2 Cor. 7:6.

4. *They that are ready for Christ's return.*

"Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words." 1 Thess. 4:17, 18.

5. *They that die in the faith.*

"But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedest thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented." Lu. 16:25.

Christlikeness.

I. GOD'S PEOPLE ARE TO BE LIKE HIM IN SEVEN THINGS.

1. *Merciful.*

"Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful." Lu. 6:36.

2. *Perfect in heart.*

"Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." Matt. 5:48.

3. *Pure in heart and character.*

"And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure." 1 Jno. 3:3.

4. *Holy in all manner of conversation.*

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; because it is written, Be ye holy, for I am holy." 1 Pet. 1:15, 16.

5. *Righteous in all dealings and business.*

"He that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous." 1 Jno. 3:7.

6. *Free from the world and pleasures.*

"I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." Jno. 17:14.

7. *One even as Christ and the Father.*

"And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one." Jno. 17:22.

Christian Perfection.

I. (CHRISTIAN PERFECTION) PROVIDED FOR.

1. *In God.*

"God is my strength and power: and he maketh my way perfect." 2 Sam. 22:33.

2. *In the Gospel.*

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is

profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works." 2 Tim. 3:16, 17.

3. *In the blood of Christ.*

"Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will." Heb. 13:20, 21.

II. (PERFECTION) COMMANDED.

"The Lord appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect." Gen. 17:1. "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." Matt. 5:48.

III. (CHRISTIAN PERFECTION) ATTAINABLE IN THIS LIFE.

"Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought." 1 Cor. 2:6.

IV. (PERFECTION) FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD ONLY.

"Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you." 2 Cor. 13:11.

V. STANDARD OF PERFECTION.

"The disciple is not above his master: but every one that is perfect shall be as his master." Lu. 6:40.

VI. PERFECTION INCLUDES.

1. *Perfect holiness.*

"Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." 2 Cor. 7:1.

2. *Perfect heart.*

"Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God." Matt. 5:8.

3. *Perfect love.*

"Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love." 1 Jno. 4:17, 18.

4. *Perfect unity.*

"That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one." Jno. 17:21, 22.

VII. CONFIRMING TESTIMONIES.

1. *Job.*

"There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God and eschewed evil." Job 1:1.

2. *Noah.*

"Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God." Gen. 6:9.

3. *Hezekiah.*

"I beseech thee, O Lord, remember now how I have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight." 2 Kings 20:3.

4. *Paul.*

"Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in anything ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you." Phil. 3:15.

Confidential Church.

Ps. 46:1-5.

I. GOD IS HER REFUGE.

II. GOD IS HER STRENGTH.

III. GOD IS HER PRESENT HELP IN TROUBLE.

IV. THROUGH GOD SHE IS FEARLESS.

If God is our refuge, strength and help and through him we are fearless, then it is we are like a river that streams forth.

V. STREAMS OR FLOWS FORTH.

1. *In testimony.*

2. *In prayer.*

3. *In love.*

4. *In peace.*

5. *In faith.*

6. *In joy.*

7. *In satisfaction.*

The main thought of this scripture is true happiness, our happiness is likened unto a river, pure, boundless, and overflowing.

Contrast Between the Sinner and the Saved.

1. *Under condemnation—no condemnation.*

"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." Rom. 8:1.

2. *Under sin and law—free from both.*

"For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death." Rom. 8:2.

3. *Without Christ—with Christ.*

"For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God, sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh." Rom. 8:3.

4. *Walking after the flesh—after the Spirit.*

"That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." Rom. 8:4.

5. *Fleshly minded—spiritually minded.*

"For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit." Rom. 8:5.

6. *In the state of death—state of life and peace.*

"For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." Rom. 8:6.

7. *Enmity against God—friend.*

"Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be." Rom. 8:7.

8. *Rejected by Christ—cared for by him.*

"Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness." Rom. 8:9, 10.

9. *Slave to the flesh or sin—master of the flesh, free from sin.*

"Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh." Rom. 8:12.

10. *Slave to fear—fearless.*

"For ye have not received the Spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father." Rom. 8:15.

11. *Poverty stricken—heirs of Heaven.*

"And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-

heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together." Rom. 8: 17.

Divine Guidance.

I. HOW HE GUIDES.

1. *By His voice.*

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." Jno. 10: 27.

2. *With His eye.*

"I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye." Ps. 32: 8.

3. *With His counsel.*

"Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory." Ps. 73: 24.

4. *By His presence.*

"And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice." Jno. 10: 4.

II. WHERE HE GUIDES.

1. *In the path of peace.*

"To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." Lu. 1: 79.

2. *Into all truth.*

"Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth." Jno. 16: 13.

III. HOW LONG HE GUIDES.

1. *Continually.*

"And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not." Isa. 58: 11.

2. *Unto death.*

"For this God is our God forever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death." Ps. 48: 14.

IV. CONDITIONS.

1. *Grateful acknowledgment of past guidance.*

"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Prov. 3: 6.

Duty Toward the Afflicted.

1. *To pray for them.*

"Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him." Acts 12: 5.

2. *To sympathize with them.*

"Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep." Rom. 12: 15.

3. *To pity them.*

"To him that is afflicted pity should be showed from his friend; but he forsaketh the fear of the Almighty." Job 6: 14.

4. *To bear them in mind.*

"Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; and them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body." Heb. 13: 3.

5. *To visit them.*

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." Jas. 1: 27.

6. *To comfort them.*

"Who comforteth us in all our tribulation that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God." 2 Cor. 1: 4.

7. *To relieve them.*

"And if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noon-day." Isa. 58: 10.

8. *To protect them.*

"Defend the poor and fatherless; do justice to the afflicted and needy." Ps. 82: 3.

Dwelling.

I. WHERE AND HOW GOD'S SAINTS DWELL.

1. *In Christ.*

"He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him." Jno. 6:56.

2. *In rest.*

"This is my rest forever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it." Ps. 132:14.

3. *In safety.*

"The beloved of the Lord shall dwell in safety by him; and the Lord shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders." Deut. 33:12

4. *In unity.*

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Ps. 133:1.

5. *In the Holy Place.*

"I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones." Isa. 57:15.

6. *On high.*

"He shall dwell on high; his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks; bread shall be given him, his waters shall be sure." Isa. 33:16.

7. *Between angels.*

"Thou that dwellest between the cherubim, shine forth." Ps. 80: 1.

8. *Between His shoulders.*

"And the Lord shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders." Deut. 33: 12.

9. *In the depths.*

"Flee, get you far off, dwell deep, O ye inhabitants of Hazor, saith the Lord." Jer. 49: 30.

Divine Strength.

I. HOW INCREASED.

1. *By going from strength to strength.*

"They go from strength to strength; every one of them in Zion appeareth before God." Ps. 84: 7.

2. *By prayer.*

"Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless, not my will, but thine, be done. And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him." Lu. 22: 42, 43.

3. *By meditation.*

"But thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of good courage; be

not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Josh. 1:8, 9.

4. *By patience.*

"To them who, by patient continuance in well doing, seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life." Rom. 2:7.

5. *By proper exercise of our gifts.*

"Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery." 1 Tim. 4:14.

Demonstrations.

1. *Old time religion stirs the emotions of men.*

"I will also clothe her priests with salvation: and her saints shall shout aloud for joy." Ps. 132:16.

2. *Shouting brings victory.*

"And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight before him. And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for the Lord hath given you the city." Josh. 6:5, 16.

(a) It is not the number or logic, but the cry, "The sword of the Lord and Gideon."

"And the three companies blew the trumpets, and

brake the pitchers, and held the lamps in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right hands to blow withal: and they cried, The sword of the Lord, and of Gideon." Judg. 7:20.

3. *God's order is that all men should praise Him.*

"The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy, they also sing." Ps. 65:13.

4. *David lived in demonstration.*

"And David danced before the Lord with all his might; and David was girded with a linen ephod." 2 Sam. 6:14.

5. *The angels believed in demonstration.*

"And suddenly there was with the angels a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Lu. 2:13, 14.

6. *The ascent and descent of the Son of God was with a shout.*

"God is gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet." Psa. 47:5. "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first." 1 Thess. 4:16.

7. *The description of a holiness camp-meeting in the days of Ezra.*

"And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto the Lord; because he is good, for his mercy endureth forever toward Israel. And all the peo-

ple shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid. . . . . Wept with a loud voice; and many shouted aloud for joy. So that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was afar off." Ezra 3: 11-13.

8. *Some of the results of being joyful or full of new wine.*

"And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart. Praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." Acts 2: 46, 47.

David's Experience.

1. *Conviction.*

"The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me; I found trouble and sorrow." Ps. 116: 3.

2. *Prayer.*

"Then called I upon the name of the Lord; O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul." Ps. 116: 4.

3. *God's mercy declared.*

"Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; yea, our God is merciful. The Lord preserveth the simple: I was brought low, and he helped me." Ps. 116: 5, 6.

4. *Rest found.*

"Return unto the rest, O my soul; for the Lord hath dealt bountifully with thee." Ps. 116:7.

5. *Confession or testimony.*

"For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling." Ps. 116:8.

6. *This is a three-fold confession.—*

(a) The soul delivered from death.

(b) The eyes from tears.

(c) His feet from falling.

7. *Love.*

"I love the Lord, because he hath heard my voice and my supplications." Ps. 116:1.

8. *Declaration.*

"Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live." Ps. 116:2.

9. *Sanctified.*

"Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow." Ps. 51:2, 7.

10. *Walk before the Lord in the land of the living.*

"I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living." Ps. 116:9.

Deliverance.

I. GOD'S SAINTS ARE DELIVERED FROM.

1. *Sin.*

"Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins." Col. 1:13, 14.

2. *Enemies.*

"That he would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear." Lu. 1:74.

3. *The world.*

"Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father." Gal. 1:4.

4. *People.*

"Delivering thee from the people and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee." Acts 26:17.

5. *Trouble.*

"Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him, I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him." Ps. 91:14, 15.

6. *Darkness.*

"Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness,

and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son." Col. 1:13.

7. *Fear.*

"I sought the Lord and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears." Ps. 34:4.

8. *Afflictions.*

"And the patriarchs moved with envy sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him and delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favor and wisdom in the sight of Pharoah king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house." Acts 7:9, 10.

9. *Persecutions.*

"Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me." 2 Tim. 3:11.

10. *Death.*

"And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage." Heb. 2:15. "Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness delivereth from death." Prov. 10:2.

Discipleship of Saints.

1. *They forsake all for Christ.*

"And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him." Lu. 5:11.

2. *They are holy.*

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; because it is written, Be ye holy, for I am holy." 1 Pet. 1:15, 16.

3. *They are like Him.*

"It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord." Matt. 10:25.

4. *They follow Him.*

"And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple." Lu. 14:27.

5. *They bear fruit.*

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness temperance, against such there is no law." Gal. 5:22, 23.

6. *They love one another.*

"By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." Jno. 13:35.

7. *They obey Him.*

"And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them." Matt. 21:6.

8. *They seek counsel from Him.*

"And when he was entered into the house from the people, his disciples asked him concerning the parable." Mk. 7:17.

9. *They lavish their love on Him.*

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the

world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world." 1 Jno. 2:15, 16.

10. *They are misunderstood.*

"But their Scribes and Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saying, Why do ye eat and drink with publicans and sinners?" Lu. 5:20.

11. *They are the salt of the earth.*

"Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men." Matt. 5:13.

12. *They are the light of the world.*

"Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid." Matt. 5:14.

13. *They feed the multitudes.*

"And he commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass; and he took the five loaves and two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake; and gave the loaves to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude." Matt. 14:19.

14. *They are citizens of another country.*

"For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.' Heb. 13:14. "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God." Eph. 2:19.

Eight Eternal Things.

1. *Eternal salvation.*

"And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him." Heb. 5:9.

2. *Eternal redemption.*

"Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us." Heb. 9:12.

3. *Eternal covenant.*

"Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever." Heb. 13:20, 21.

4. *Eternal comfort.*

"Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace." 2 Thess. 2:16.

5. *Eternal glory.*

"But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered awhile, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you." 1 Pet. 5:10.

6. *Eternal home.*

"For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." 2 Cor. 5:1.

7. *Eternal inheritance.*

"They which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance." Heb. 9:15.

8. *Eternal kingdom.*

"For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." 2 Pet. 1:11.

Excuses.

I. Not Now.

"Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." 2 Cor. 6:2.

II. Tomorrow.

1. *Tomorrow may be too late.*

"Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth." Prov. 27:1.

III. Little More Pleasure of This World.

1. *In Jesus there is pleasure and satisfaction.*

"Thou wilt show me the path of life: in thy presence is fullness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures forevermore." Ps. 16:11.

IV. TOO YOUNG.

1. *Youth is the time to seek God.*

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them." Ecc. 12:1.

2. *Later He may not be found.*

"Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near." Isa. 55:6.

V. AFTER I GET MORE OF THIS WORLD'S GOODS.

1. *Seek God first, all things will be added.*

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matt. 6:33.

VI. I AM IN TROUBLE.

1. *The Lord will save from trouble.*

"This poor man cried and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles. The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles." Ps. 34:6, 17.

VII. I CANNOT HOLD OUT.

1. *God has promised to keep His children.*

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee; because he trusteth in thee." Isa. 26:3.

VIII. I AM TOO SINFUL.

1. *Hope for all.*

"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will let him take of the water of life freely." Rev. 22: 17.

IX. I WILL GET SAVED WHEN I PLEASE.

1. *It is possible to neglect salvation too long.*

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation." Heb. 2: 3.

Eternal Life.

1. *What it is.*

"And this is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." Jno. 17: 3.

2. *Brought by whom?*

"But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel." 2 Tim. 1: 10.

3. *Called to it.*

"Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses." 1 Tim. 6: 12.

4. *In whom?*

"When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory." Col. 3:4.

5. *How obtained.*

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Rom. 6:23.

6. *Where kept.*

"For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God." Col. 3:3.

7. *What assurance it gives.*

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." Jno. 10:28.

8. *What it brings.*

"According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue." 2 Pet. 1:3.

9. *The world's attitude toward it.*

"And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life." Jno. 5:40.

10. *The sad end of those who neglect it.*

"If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable." 1 Cor. 15:19. "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life; and he that believeth not the Son, shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him." Jno. 3:36.

Explanation on the 91st Psalm.

I. MY LODGING—the shadow of his wings.

II. MY HABITATION—the Most High.

III. MY COVERING—His wings.

IV. MY SHIELD—His truth.

V. MY KEEPER—His angels.

VI. IF WE LIVE IN THE ABOVE ATTITUDE.

1. *He will answer when we call.*
2. *Be with us in trouble.*
3. *Deliverance granted.*
4. *Honor inferred*
5. *Life prolonged.*
6. *Salvation shown or revealed that satisfies.*

Eight "Forths" of the Bible.

1. *Come forth.*

"And when he had thus spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth." Jno. 11:43.

2. *Stretch forth.*

"Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it forth; and it was restored whole, like as the other." Matt. 12:13.

3. *Break forth.*

"Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains, for the Lord hath com-

forted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted." Isa. 49:13.

4. *Bring forth.*

"Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God." Rom. 7:4.

5. *Stand forth.*

"And he saith unto the man which had the withered hand, Stand forth." Mk. 3:3.

6. *Go forth.*

"He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." Ps. 126:6.

7. *Went forth.*

"And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow." Matt. 13:3.

8. *Brought forth.*

"But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundred-fold, some sixty-fold, some thirty-fold." Matt. 13:8.

Father's Will.

I. THE FACT OF HIS HAVING A WILL.

"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." Matt. 7:21.

II. Made to Whom.

1. *All men.*

"Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of truth." 1 Tim. 2:4.

III. What It Is.

1. *Repentance.*

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." 2 Pet. 3:9.

2. *Sanctification.*

"For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication." 1 Thess. 4:3.

3. *Healing of the sick.*

"And behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth His hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean, and immediately his leprosy was cleansed." Matt. 8:2, 3.

4. *Intercessory or prevailing prayer.*

"I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." 1 Tim. 2:8.

5. *Bear much fruit.*

"Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you that ye should go and bring forth fruit and that your fruit should remain." Jno. 15:16.

IV. SON'S ATTITUDE TOWARD FATHER'S WILL.

1. *Sought for.*

"Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven." Matt. 6: 10.

2. *Delighted in.*

"I delight to do thy will, O my God; yea, thy law is within my heart." Ps. 40: 8.

Faint Not.

1. *In mercy.*

"Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not." 2 Cor. 4: 1.

2. *In prayer.*

"And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray and not to faint." Lu. 18: 1.

3. *In advancing.*

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isa. 40: 31.

4. *In works.*

"Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you." Phil. 4: 9.

5. *In tribulation.*

"Wherefore I desire that ye faint not at my tribulation for you, which is your glory." Eph. 3 : 13.

6. *In chastening.*

"My son despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him." Heb. 12 : 5.

7. *In well-doing.*

"And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." Gal. 6 : 9.

Faith.

I. WHAT IT IS.

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Heb. 11 : 1.

II. ITS AUTHOR.

"Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." Heb. 12 : 2.

III. THE SINNER WITHOUT IT.

1. *No faith.*

"And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?" Mk. 4 : 40.

2. *Dead.*

"Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone." Jas. 2 : 17.

IV. THE CHRISTIAN'S FAITH.

1. *Great.*

"Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel." Matt. 8: 10.

2. *Full.*

"And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Ghost." Acts 6: 5.

V. NATURE OF FAITH.

1. *May be increased.*

"And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith." Lu. 17: 5.

2. *It may be tried.*

"Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience." Jas. 1: 3.

VI. THERE ARE TWO SUCCESSFUL STEPS IN FAITH.

1. *Regeneration.*

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Rom. 5: 1.

2. *Sanctification.*

"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly." 1 Thess. 5: 23.

VII. ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH FAITH.

1. *Please God.*

"But without faith it is impossible to please him." Heb. 11: 6.

2. *Stand in God's favor.*

"Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith." Rom. 11:20.

3. *Walk righteously.*

"Now the just shall live by faith, but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him." Heb. 10:38.

4. *Shield ourselves from the attacks of the devil.*

"Above all taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked." Eph. 6:16.

Fullness of God.

I. COMMANDED.

"And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God." Eph. 3:19.

II. WHAT IT MEANS.

1. *Light.*

"This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all." 1 Jno. 1:5.

2. *Grace.*

"And of his fullness have all we received, and grace for grace." Jno. 1:16.

3. *Peace.*

"And the peare of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:7.

4. *Spirit.*

"God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." Jno. 4:24.

5. *Power.*

"But truly I am full of power by the Spirit of the Lord, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin." Mic. 3:8.

6. *Joy.*

"Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost." Rom. 15:13.

7. *Rivers.*

"Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it. Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly; thou settlest the furrows thereof; thou makest it soft with showers; thou blessest the springing thereof. Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness. They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills rejoice on every side." Ps. 65:9-12.

8. *Full of sap.*

"The trees of the Lord are full of sap: the cedars of Lebanon which he hath planted." Ps. 104:16.

9. *Prosperity.*

"The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree; he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon." Ps. 92: 12.

(a) *Filled with the fruit of righteusness.*

"Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are through Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God." Phil. 1: 11.

(b) The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, kindness, goodness, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law." Gal. 5: 22, 23.

God is Able.

1. *To save.*

"Wherefore he is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them." Heb. 7: 25.

2. *To deliver.*

"If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king." Dan. 3: 17.

3. *To make us stand.*

"Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand." Rom. 14: 4.

4. *To keep.*

"For I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." 2 Tim. 1: 12.

5. *To succor those that are tempted.*

"For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succor them that are tempted." Heb. 2:18.

6. *To make grace abound.*

"And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work." 2 Cor. 9:8.

7. *To make wise.*

"And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith, which is in Christ Jesus." 2 Tim. 3:15.

8. *To keep from falling.*

"Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy." Jude 24.

9. *To save from death.*

"Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared." Heb. 5:7.

God is Faithful.

"Know therefore that the Lord thy God, he is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations." Deut. 7:9.

1. *To call or convict.*

"And when he is come he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment." Jno. 16:8. "God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord." 1 Cor. 1:9.

2. *To reveal.* Phil. 3:15.

"Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in anything ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you." Phil. 3:15.

3. *To forgive.*

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 Jno. 1:9.

4. *To sanctify.*

"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it." 1 Thess. 5:23, 24.

5. *To establish.*

"But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil." 2 Thess. 3:3.

6. *To deliver from temptation.*

"There hath no temptation taken you, but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." 1 Cor. 10:13.

7. *In death.*

"For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." 2 Tim. 4:6, 7.

8. *In His judgments.*

"And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands." Jer. 1:16.

9. *As a judge.*

"But know thou, that for all these things, God will bring thee into judgment." Ecc. 11:9.

God's All-Seeing Eye.

I. IN EVERY PLACE.

"The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good." Prov. 15:3.

1. *Sees everything.*

"He cutteth out rivers among the rocks; and his eye seeth every precious thing. He bindeth the floods from overflowing; and the thing that is hid bringeth he forth to life." Job. 28:10, 11.

2. *Penetrates the darkness.*

"Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: darkness and the light are both alike to thee." Ps. 139:12.

3. *Searches the heart.*

"For the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart." 1 Sam. 16:7.

II. Sees Whom?

1. *Those who have sinned against Him, trying to hide.*

"And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou? And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." Gen. 3:9, 10.

2. *The disobedient running from duty.*

"But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the Lord, and went down to Joppa; and he found a ship going to Tarshish: so he paid the fare thereof and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish from the presence of the Lord." Jonah 1:3.

3. *The hyprocrite in his work of robbing God, and punishes him.*

"But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land? * * * * Thou hast not lied unto men but unto God. And Ananias hearing these words, fell down and gave up the ghost. And great fear came on all them that heard these things." Acts 5:3-5.

4. *The penitent seeking Him.*

"Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. And ye shall

seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart." Jer. 29: 12, 13.

III. THE GUILTY CANNOT ESCAPE IT.

"For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God." Rom. 14: 10, 12. "Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power." 2 Thess. 1: 9.

God's Messenger.

Acts 20: 28-38.

1. *As to himself—be qualified.*

"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood." Acts 20: 28.

2. *As to the Holy Spirit—obeys.*

"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood." Acts 20: 28.

3. *As to the flock—feeds it.*

"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood." Acts 20: 28.

4. *As to the outside enemies—plans against them.*

"For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock." Acts 20:29.

5. *As to the inside enemies—be rid of them.*

"Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them." Acts 20:30.

6. *As to the previous workers—remembers and honors them.*

"Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears." Acts 20:31.

7. *As to His followers—commends them to God.*

"And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified." Acts 20:32.

8. *As to the Word of God—builds on it and receives an inheritance.*

"And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified." Acts 20:32.

9. *As to himself—receives his convictions and follows the same.*

"Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have min-

istered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me." Acts 20: 34.

10. *As to the weak members—be sympathetic and helpful.*

"I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20: 35.

11. *As to fellow-workers—be appreciative and loyal.*

"And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all. And they all wept sore, and fell on Paul's neck, and kissed him. Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spake, that they should see his face no more. And they accompanied him unto the ship." Acts 20: 36-38.

God's Holiness.

I. THE ORIGIN.

"According as he hath chosen us in him, before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." Eph. 1: 4. "But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation, through sanctification of the Spirit, and belief of the truth." 2 Thess. 2: 13.

II. Declared To Be.

1. *A way for the people of God to walk on.*

"And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools shall not err therein." Isa. 35:8.

2. *The only preparation for Heaven.*

"Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14. "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." Matt. 5:8.

III. God's People Are.

1. *Chosen in holiness.*

"According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." Eph. 1:4.

2. *Called to holiness.*

"For God hath not called us unto uncleanness but unto holiness." 1 Thess. 4:7.

3. *Heirs to holiness.*

"For this is the will of God even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornification." 1 Thess. 4:3.

4. *Elected through holiness.*

"Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ." 1 Pet. 1:2.

5. *To serve God in holiness.*

"The oath which he swear unto our Father Abraham, that he would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life." Lu. 1:73-75.

6. *Commanded to be holy.*

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy." 1 Pet. 1:15, 16.

(a) *In their conversation.*

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation." 1 Pet. 1:15.

(b) *In their life.*

"For as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness." Rom. 6:19.

(c) *In their love.*

"According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." Eph. 1:4. "Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, forever." Ps. 93:5.

God's Flock.

I. ARE TERMED AS SHEEP.

"And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, are men,

and I am your God, saith the Lord God." Ezek. 34: 31.

II. One Fold.

"And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold and one shepherd." Jno. 10: 16.

III. One Door or Way of Entrance.

"He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and robber. Then said Jesus unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture." Jno. 10: 1, 7, 9.

IV. The True Shepherd—Their State, Holy.

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation." 1 Pet. 1: 15.

1. *Seeketh out the flock.*

"For thus saith the Lord, Behold, I, even I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out." Ezek. 34: 11.

2. *Feedeth the flock.*

"And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them; and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith the Lord" Jer. 23: 4.

V. False Shepherds.

1. *Their condition or state.*

"His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they

are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. Yea, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own way, every one for his gain, from his quarter." Isa. 56: 10, 11.

2. *Their mission.*

(a) *Bring division.*

"Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple." Rom. 16: 17, 18.

(b) *Scatter the flock.*

"But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep." Jno. 10: 12.

VI. HAPPY STATE OF FLOCK.

"The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." Ps. 23: 1-4.

VII. FINAL SEPARATION.

"When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set his sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Then shall he say also to them on the left hand, depart from me ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal." Matt. 25:31-34, 41, 46.

Grace in Hebrews.

1. *Atonement by grace.*

"But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man." Heb. 2:9.

2. *Accepted by grace.*

"Let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear." Heb. 12:28.

3. *Access through grace.*

"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Heb. 4:16.

4. *Established in grace.*

"Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace." Heb. 13:9.

5. *Presence of grace unto all.*

"Grace be with you all. Amen." Heb. 13:25.

6. *Beware lest you fall from grace.*

"Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled." Heb. 12:15.

7. *Reject the Holy Spirit of grace.*

"Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?" Heb. 10:29.

Grace in Romans.

1. *Grace came by Jesus.*

"For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many." Rom. 5:15.

2. *Salvation promised by grace.*

"Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed." Rom. 4:16.

3. *Justifies freely by grace.*

"Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." Rom. 3 : 24.

4. *Access into standing grace or sanctification by grace.*

"By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in the hope of the glory of God." Rom. 5 : 2.

5. *The election of grace.*

"Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace." Rom. 11 : 5.

6. *Humiliation through grace.*

"For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith." Rom. 12 : 3.

7. *Under grace.*

"For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace." Rom. 6 : 14.

8. *The abounding grace.*

"But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound." Rom. 5 : 20.

9. *Grace reigns through righteousness or by doing right.*

"That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord." Rom. 5 : 21.

10. *God's servants have different measures of grace.*

"Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith." Rom. 12:6.

11. *Grace is a safe guarantee against sin.*

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Rom. 5:1.

Goodness.

I. ARE THERE ANY GOOD PEOPLE IN THE WORLD?

1. *Yes.*

"For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the church." Acts 11:24. "A good man, out of the good treasure of the heart, bringeth forth good things; and an evil man out of the evil treasure, bringeth forth evil things." Matt. 12:35.

II. WHAT IS THE SOURCE OF ALL GOODNESS?

1. *God.*

"And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments." Matt. 19:17.

III. SINCE ALL GOODNESS IS IN GOD, HE MUST BE ENTHRONED IN OUR HEARTS.

"By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." Heb.

10: 10. "For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall by my people." 2 Cor. 6: 16.

IV. THE EXPERIENCE OF THOSE WHO POSSESS GOD'S GOODNESS.

1. *Satisfied.*

"For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness." Ps. 107: 9.

2. *Able to admonish.*

"And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another." Rom. 15: 14.

V. THE BIBLE DESCRIBES THE GOODNESS OF GOD AS.

1. *Rich.*

"Or despiseth thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and long-suffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?" Rom. 2: 4.

2. *Great.*

"For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty!" Zech. 9: 17.

3. *Abundant.*

"And the Lord passed by before him, and proclaimed, The Lord, The Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth." Ex. 34: 6.

4. *Enduring.*

"Why boastest thou thyself in mischief, O mighty man? the goodness of God endureth continually." Ps. 52:1.

5. *Universal.*

"The Lord is good to all; and his tender mercies are over all his works." Ps. 145:9.

God's All-Sufficiency.

1. *As a Savior.*

"Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them." Heb. 7:25.

2. *As a satisfier.*

"My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion forever." Ps. 73:26.

3. *To keep in peace.*

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee." Isa. 26:3.

4. *In time of need.*

"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:19.

5. *In battle.*

"Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place." 2 Cor. 2:14.

6. *In famine or among enemies.*

"Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over." Ps. 23:5.

7. *In death.*

"I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine enemies." Hosea. 13:14.

8. *As an entrance into Heaven; then a sufficient happiness through all eternity.*

"For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." 2 Pet. 1:11. "They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." Rev. 7:16, 17.

Holy Fire.

I. God is a Consuming Fire.

"For our God is a consuming fire." Heb. 12:29.

1. *He baptized with fire.*

"I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose

shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." Matt. 3: 11.

2. *He answers by fire and consumes the sacrifice.*

"The fire of the Lord fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench." 1 Kings 18: 38.

II. FIRE IS DESTRUCTIVE.

1. *Burns off bands that bind.*

"Then these men were bound in their coats, their hosen, and their hats, and their other garments, and were in the midst of the burning fiery furnace. He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God." Dan. 3: 21, 25.

2. *Burns up the chaff that is useless.*

"Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." Matt. 3: 12.

3. *Burns up the dross.*

"And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness." Mal. 3: 3.

4. *Destroys darkness.*

"And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of

a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night." Ex. 13:21.

III. The Fire Was to Burn Continually; the Priests or Preachers Were to See that the Fire Kept Burning.

"And the sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire upon the altar, and lay the wood in order upon the fire: the fire shall ever be burning upon the altar it shall never go out." Lev. 1:7; 6:13.

IV. God Leads or Guides by Fire.

"In the daytime also he led them with a cloud, and all the night with a light of fire." Ps. 78:14.

V. Its Nature.

1. *Attractive.*

"And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire, out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed." Ex. 3:2.

2. *Bright.*

"As for the likeness of the liviing creatures, their appearance was like burning coals of fire, and like the appearance of lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning." Ezek. 1:13.

3. *Heating.*

"And Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace

of the high priest: and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire." Mk. 14: 54.

4. *Melting.*

"And when the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil, to make thy name known to thine adversaries, that the nations may tremble at thy presence!" Isa. 64: 2.

5. *Spreading.*

"Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth." Jas. 3: 5.

Heaven Opened.

I. CONCERNING CHRIST IN PROPHECY.

"Now it came to pass . . . . . as I was among the captives by the river of Chebar, that the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God." Ezek. 1: 1.

II. ON JESUS IN OBEDIENCE.

"And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him." Matt. 3: 16.

III. IN THE WAY OF BLESSING OR COMMUNICATION.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the win-

dows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3: 10.

IV. IN PERSECUTION.

"But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God." Acts 7: 55.

V. TO EXPLAIN THE MYSTERIES OF GOD.

"And saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth." Acts 10: 11.

VI. TO REVEAL THE THINGS THAT MUST BE HEREAFTER.

"After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will show thee things which must be hereafter." Rev. 4: 1.

VII. FOR THE VISITATION OF GOD'S WRATH.

"And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True; and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written that no man knew but he himself: and he was clothed in a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he

should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the wine-press of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS." Rev. 19; 11-16.

His Name.

1. *Salvation in His name.*

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS; for he shall save his people from their sins." Matt. 1:21.

2. *Separated by His name.*

"And, let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity." 2 Tim. 2:19.

3. *Sonship, by believing on His name.*

"But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." Jno. 1:12.

4. *Walk in His name.*

"For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever." Mic. 4:5.

5. *Miracles performed in His name.*

"In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk." Acts 3:6.

6. *Ask in His name.*

"Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and

ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain; that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you." Jno. 15:16.

7. *Suffering for His name.*

"And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name." Acts 5:41.

8. *Service in His name.*

"And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast labored, and hast not fainted." Rev. 2:3.

Holy Persons and Things.

1. *Holy Father.*

"Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are." Jno. 17:11.

2. *Holy Son.*

"The Lord is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works." Ps. 145:17.

3. *Holy Ghost.*

"I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." Matt. 3:11.

4. *Holy Angels.*

"Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of

my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." Mk. 8:38.

5. *Holy priest-hood.*

"Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ." 1 Pet. 2:5.

6. *Holy heaven.*

"Now know I that the Lord saveth his anointed: he will hear him from his holy heaven with the saving strength of his right hand." Ps. 20:6.

7. *Holy Scriptures.*

"Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy Scriptures." Rom. 1:2.

8. *Holy commandments.*

"Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good." Rom. 7:12.

9. *Holy arm.*

"O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvelous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory." Ps. 98:1.

10. *Holy house.*

"In whom all the building, fitly framed together, groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord." Eph. 2:11.

11. *Holy sacrifice.*

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of

God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Rom. 12:1.

12. *Holy temple.*

"If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy: for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." 1 Cor. 3:17.

13. *Holy brethren.*

"I charge you by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren." 1 Thess. 5:27.

14. *Holy hands.*

"I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands without wrath and doubting." 1 Tim. 2:8.

15. *Holy conversation.*

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation." 1 Pet. 1:15.

16. *Holy sabbath.*

"And he said unto them, This is that which the Lord hath said, Tomorrow is the rest of the holy sabbath unto the Lord: bake that which ye will bake to-day, and seethe that ye will seethe; and that which remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning." Ex. 16: 23.

17. *Holy men of God.*

"For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." 2 Pet. 1:21.

Holy Ghost.

1. REPRESENTED.

1. *As a cleanser.*

"And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost even as he did unto us; and put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith." Acts 15:8, 9.

2. *As a quickener.*

"For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit." 1 Pet. 3:18.

3. *As speaking through man.*

"The Spirit of the Lord spake by me, and his word was in my tongue." 2 Sam. 23:2.

4. *As giving wisdom.*

"And thou shalt speak unto all that are wise-hearted, whom I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they may make Aaron's garments to consecrate him, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office." Ex. 28:3.

5. *As always present.*

"Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?" Ps. 139:7.

6. *As a guide.*

"Howbeit, when he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth." Jno. 16:13.

7. *As a helper in prayer.*

"Likewise also the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered." Rom. 8:26.

8. *As a teacher.*

"For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say." Lu. 12:12.

9. *As a comforter.*

"But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." Jno. 14:26.

10. *As giving joy.*

"And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost." 1 Thess. 1:6.

11. *As striving with man.*

"And the Lord said, My Spirit shall not always strive with man." Gen. 6:3.

II. How Treated by Man.

1. *Vexed.*

"But they rebelled and vexed his Holy Spirit: therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought them." Isa. 63:10.

2. *Grieved.*

"And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption." Eph. 4:30.

"He Shalls."

1. *He shall deliver.*

"Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence." Ps. 91:3.

2. *He shall give.*

"For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways." Ps. 91:11.

3. *He shall bring.*

"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him, and he shall bring it to pass. And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday." Ps. 37:5, 6.

4. *He shall cover.*

"He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler." Ps. 91:4.

5. *He shall teach.*

"But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." Jno. 14:26.

6. *He shall direct.*

"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Prov. 3:6.

7. *He shall guide.*

"Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth." Jno. 16:13. "And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not." Isa. 58:11.

Help Others.

I. OUR RELATION AND RESPONSIBILITY TO OTHERS.

1. *Kind and tenderhearted.*

"And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." Eph. 4:32.

2. *Avoid judging.*

"Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumbling block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way." Rom. 14:13.

3. *Avoid evil speaking.*

"Speak not evil one of another, brethren." Jas. 4:11.

4. *Burden bearing.*

"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." Gal. 6:2.

5. *Exhort.*

"But exhort one another daily, while it is called today: lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin." Heb. 3:13.

6. *Forbear.*

"With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love." Eph. 4:2.

7. *Love.*

"Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not, knoweth not God; for God is love." Jno. 4:7, 8.

8. *Edify.*

"Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do." 1 Thess. 5:11.

9. *Consider.*

"And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works." Heb. 10:24.

His Shadow.

1. *A place of refuge.*

"Yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast." Ps. 57:1.

2. *A place of power.*

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." Ps. 91:1.

3. *A place of shelter.*

"And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the day-time from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain." Isa. 4:6.

4. *A place of rest.*

"And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place; as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land." Isa. 32:2.

5. *A place of protection.*

"Keep me as the apple of the eye; hide me under the shadow of thy wings." Ps. 17:8.

6. *A place of safety.*

"And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand hath he hid me, and made me a polished shaft; in his quiver hath he hid me." Isa. 49:2.

7. *A place of covering.*

"And I have put my words in thy mouth, and have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, Thou art my people." Isa. 51:16.

8. *A place of rejoicing.*

"Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice." Ps. 63:7.

How We Should Live.

1. *A holy life.*

"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and

I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Thess. 5:23.

2. *Dead to sin.*

"For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God." Col. 3:3.

3. *A life of prayer.*

"Pray without ceasing." 1 Thess. 5:17. "I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." 1 Tim. 2:8.

4. *A life of self denial.*

"And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell." Matt. 5:29.

5. *A life of separation.*

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?" 2 Cor. 6:14.

6. *A life of consecration.*

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Rom. 12:1.

7. *A life of service.*

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, un-

moveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Cor. 15 : 58.

His Keeping.

1. *In the way.*

"Behold I will send an angel before thee, to keep thee in the way." Ex. 23 : 20.

2. *In perfect peace.*

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee; because he trusteth in thee." Isa. 26 : 3.

3. *As a good shepherd does his sheep.*

"He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock." Jer. 31 : 10.

4. *In all places.*

"And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of." Gen. 28 : 15.

5. *The feet of His saints.*

"He will keep the feet of His saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness for by strength shall no man prevail." 1 Sam. 2 : 9.

6. *In all thy ways.*

"For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways." Ps. 91 : 11.

7. *In the hour of temptation.*

"Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." Rev. 3: 10.

8. *From falling.*

"Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceedingly joy." Jude 24.

9. *As the apple of His eye.*

"He led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye." Deut. 32: 10.

10. *From evil.*

"I pray not that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil." Jno. 17: 15.

Hell.

I. WHAT IT IS.

1. *A lake of fire.*

"And the devil, that deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever." Rev. 20: 10.

2. *Everlasting burnings.*

"Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?" Isa. 33: 14.

3. *Furnace of fire.*

"The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity, and shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth." Matt. 13:41, 42.

4. *Bottomless pit.*

"And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand." Rev. 20:1.

5. *Devouring fire.*

"Who among us shall dwell among the devouring fire?" Isa. 33:14.

6. *A place of torment.*

"And in hell he lifted up his eyes being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom." Lu. 16:23.

7. *A place of everlasting punishment.*

"And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into eternal life." Matt. 25:46.

8. *A place where people pray.*

"Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house." Lu. 16:27.

9. *A place where people scream for mercy.*

"And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his

finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame." Lu. 16: 24.

10. *A place where they curse God.*

"And blasphemed the God of Heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds." Rev. 16: 11.

11. *A place where they can never repent.*

"And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him, but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come." Matt. 12: 32.

12. *A place where they wail.*

"And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth." Matt. 13: 42.

13. *A place of weeping.*

"But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Matt. 8: 12.

14. *A place where they have no rest.*

"And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up forand ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name." Rev. 14: 11.

15. *A place where they gnaw their tongues.*

"And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain." Rev. 16: 10.

16. *A place where the worm dieth not.*

"Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched." Mk. 9:48.

17. *A place where they do not want their loved ones to come.*

"For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment." Lu. 16:28.

18. *A place of evil company.*

"But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death." Rev. 21:8.

19. *A place where they are tormented forever and ever.*

"And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up forever and ever." Rev. 14:11.

20. *A place prepared for the devil and his angels.*

"Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." Matt. 25:41.

Happy.

1. *Because loved of God.*

"Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another." 1 Jno. 4:10, 11.

2. *Because saved.*

"And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together." Rom. 8: 17.

3. *Because like God.*

"Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is." 1 Jno. 3: 2.

4. *Because of Divine fellowship.*

"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ." 1 Jno. 1: 3.

5. *Because God is our helper.*

"Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God." Ps. 146: 5.

6. *Because we keep the whole law.*

"Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he." Prov. 29: 18.

7. *Because we endure.*

"Behold, we count them happy which endure." Jas. 5: 11.

8. *Because we suffer for righteousness.*

"But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled." 1 Pet. 3: 14.

9. *Because victory is assured.*

"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Cor. 15:57.

10. *Because of eternal heaven.*

"Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of water; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." Rev. 7; 15-17.

Holiness.

1. *Provided.*

"Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word. That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish." Eph. 5:25-27.

2. *Promised.*

"I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." Matt. 3:11.

3. *God's choice.*

"According as he hath chosen us in him before the

foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." Eph. 1:4.

4. *Called to holiness.*

"For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness." 1 Thess. 4:7.

5. *Commanded.*

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy." 1 Pet. 1:15, 16.

6. *God's will.*

"For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication." 1 Thess. 4:3.

7. *We are elected through sanctification.*

"Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit." 1 Pet. 1:2.

8. *Necessary to worship God.*

"He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully." Ps. 24:4.

9. *We are to serve God in holiness.*

"The oath which he sware to our father Abraham, that he would grant unto us that we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all the days of our life." Lu. 1:73-75.

10. *The standard—Christ.*

"Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy." 1 Pet. 1:16.

11. *None see God without it.*

"Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14.

In Him.

1. *Redemption in Him.*

"In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace." Eph. 1:7.

2. *Faith in Him.*

"For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the Spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ." Col. 2:5.

3. *Accepted in Him.*

"To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the Beloved." Eph. 1:6.

4. *Complete in Him.*

"And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power." Col. 2:10.

5. *Built up in Him.*

"Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving." Col. 2:7.

6. *Rooted in Him.*

"Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving." Col. 2:7.

7. *Standing in Him.*

"According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." Eph. 1:4.

8. *Walking in Him.*

"As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him." Col. 2:6.

Indispensable Things.

1. *Blood.*

"And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission." Heb. 9:22.

2. *Holiness.*

"Follow peace with all men, and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14.

3. *Love.*

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as a sounding brass, or tinkling cymbal." 1 Cor. 13:1.

4. *Faith.*

"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for

he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." Heb. 11:6.

5. *Works.*

"For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead." Jas. 2:26.

6. *Prayer.*

"And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing but by prayer and fasting." Mk. 9:29.

7. *Chastisement.*

"But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards and not sons." Heb. 12:8.

8. *God's abiding presence.*

"I am the vine, ye are the branches: he that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing." Jno. 15:5.

"I Wills" of the Lord.

1. *Come unto me and I will give you rest.*

"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28.

2. *Him that cometh to me, I will in no wise cast out.*

"And him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." Jno. 6:37.

3. *If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.*

"Behold, a man full of leprosy; who, seeing Jesus, fell on his face, and besought him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And he put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will: be thou clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him." Lu. 5:12, 13.

4. *Whosoever will confess me, I will confess him before my Father.*

"Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven." Matt. 10:32.

5. *I will not leave you comfortless.*

"I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you." Jno. 14:18.

6. *I will make you fishers of men.*

"Come ye after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Mk. 1:17.

7. *I will multiply you exceedingly.*

"And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly." Gen. 17:2.

8. *I will make thee exceedingly fruitful.*

"And I will make thee exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee." Gen. 17:6.

9. *I will give thee all the land of Canaan and will be thy God.*

"And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee,

the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God." Gen. 17:8.

10. *I will establish thee.*

"But my covenent will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year." Gen. 17:21.

11. *I will that thou be with me.*

"Father, I will that they also whom thou hast given me be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me." Jno. 17:24.

12. *I will cause them to dwell safely.*

"And I will bring them again unto this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely." Jer. 32:37.

13. *Call, and I will answer.*

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not." Jer. 33:3.

14. *I will come again.*

"And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." Jno. 14:3.

15. *I will raise him up at the last day.*

"And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day." Jno. 6:40.

Isaiah's Ten Promises for Ten Needs.

1. *The restless.*

"And it shall come to pass in the day that the Lord shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage wherein thou wast made to serve." Isa. 14:3.

2. *The tired.*

"He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength." Isa. 40:29.

3. *The hungry.*

"He shall feed his flock like a shepherd, he shall gather his lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young." Isa. 40:11.

4. *The thirsty.*

"I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water." Isa. 41:18.

5. *The fearful.*

"Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; Yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." Isa. 41:10.

6. *Trouble.*

"Lord, in trouble have they visited thee, they poured out a prayer when thy chastening was upon them." Isa. 26:16.

7. *The tempted.*

"So shall they fear the name of the Lord from the west, and glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." Isa. 59: 19.

8. *The fighting.*

"No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn." Isa. 54: 17.

9. *The waiting.*

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isa. 40: 31.

10. *Whatsoever state thou art in.*

"Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands; thy walls are continually before me." Isa. 49: 16.

John's Conception of the New Birth.

1. *Right living.*

"If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him." 1 Jno. 2: 29.

2. *Not committing sin.*

"Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God." I Jno. 3: 9.

3. *Nature of Christ implied.*

"Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God." 1 Jno. 3:9.

4. *Loving one another.*

"Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God." 1 Jno. 4:7.

5. *Victory over the world.*

"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." 1 Jno. 5:4.

6. *Kept by Christ.*

"We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not." 1 Jno. 5:18.

7. *Received through faith only.*

"Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God." 1 Jno. 5:1.

Joy.

I. GOD'S PEOPLE ARE TO BE JOYFUL.

1. *It is prophesied of.*

"But be ye glad and rejoice forever in that which I create: for, Behold, I created Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy." Isa. 65:18.

2. *Christ is the author of their joy.*

"And now I am come to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves." Jno. 17: 13.

3. *They are to be filled with joy.*

"These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full." Jno. 15: 11.

II. God's People are Commanded to Rejoice or be Joyful.

1. *In salvation.*

"I will rejoice in thy salvation." Ps. 9: 14.

2. *Salvation of others.*

"Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost." Lu. 15: 6.

3. *In the truth.*

"Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth." 1 Cor. 13: 6.

4. *In the hope of God's glory.*

"By whom also we have access by faith in this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God." Rom. 5: 2.

5. *Because our names are written in heaven.*

"Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." Lu. 10: 20.

6. *In every good thing.*

"And thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the Lord thy God hath given unto thee." Deut. 26: 11.

III. GOD'S PEOPLE SHOULD REJOICE.

1. *When tempted.*

"My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations." Jas. 1: 2.

2. *When tried.*

"Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you." 1 Pet. 4: 12.

3. *When persecuted.*

Rejoice, and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you." Matt. 5: 12.

4. *When sorrowful.*

"As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things." 2 Cor. 6: 10.

5. *When suffering shame for Christ's sake.*

"And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name." Acts 5: 41.

6. *When suffering loss.*

"For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in your-

selves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance." Heb. 10:34.

7. *Always.*

"Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice." Phil. 4:4.

Jesus is Coming.

I. FORETOLD BY HIS PROPHETS.

"And I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought him near before him." Dan. 7:13.

II. FORETOLD BY THE APOSTLES.

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; and he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you." Acts 3:19, 20.

III. FORETOLD BY THE ANGELS.

"And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven, as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." Acts 1:10. 11.

IV. THE PURPOSE OF HIS COMING IS TO COMPLETE THE SALVATION OF HIS SAINTS.

"So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear, the second time, without sin, unto salvation." Heb. 9:28.

1. *To be glorified in his saints, also to be admired in his saints.*

"When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe." 1 Thess. 1:10.

2. *To reign as King.*

"Then shall the moon be confused, and the sun ashamed, when the Lord of hosts shall reign in Mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients, gloriously." Isa. 24:23.

V. THE MANNER OF HIS COMING.

1. *In the glory of his Father.*

"For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father, with his angels, and then he shall reward every man according to his works." Matt. 16:27.

2. *In power and great glory.*

"And they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory." Matt. 24:30.

3. *With a shout and the voice of angels.*

"For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the

trump of God: and the dead in Crist shall rise first." 1 Thess. 4: 16.

4. *As a thief.*

"Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame." Rev. 16: 15.

VI. FOR WHOM HE COMES.

1. *The elect.*

"And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other." Matt. 24: 31.

VII. WHO IS THE ELECT—THE SANCTIFIED.

"Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus." 1 Pet. 1: 2.

1. *The bride—her characteristics.*

(a) *Arrayed in fine linen, clean and white.*

"And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints." Rev. 19: 8.

(b) *The great change now takes place; that mother's child that was sick, instantly changed and given a glorified body.*

For weakness—strength; for poverty—riches; for failure—success; from the cottage to the mansion; from trial to everlasting deliverance. Death swallowed up in vic-

tory. Those who were burned at the stake; those who died in the prisons; and those who were devoured by wild beasts, all shall meet the Lord in the air, so shall we be with the Lord.

Jesus Only.

1. *Come unto me.*

"Come unto me, all ye that labour, and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28.

2. *Look unto me.*

"Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is none else." Isa. 45:22.

3. *Abide in me.*

"Abide in me and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye abide in me." Jno. 15:4.

4. *Learn of me.*

"Take my yoke upon you and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and shall find rest unto your souls." Matt. 11:29.

5. *Lovest thou me.*

"So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith, unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee." Jno. 21:15.

6. *Follow thou me.*

"Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? Follow thou me." Jno. 21 : 22.

7. *Watch with me.*

"Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me." Matt. 26 : 38.

Jesus' Time-Table for Prayer.

1. *A great while before day.*

"And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed." Mk. 1 : 35.

2. *All night.*

"And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." Lu. 6 : 12.

3. *Before the anointing of the Holy Ghost and entering upon His public ministry.*

"Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased." Lu. 3 : 21, 22.

4. *Before choosing His disciples.*

"And it came to pass in those days, that he went out

into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. And when it was day, he called unto him his disciples: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles." Lu. 6: 12, 13.

5. *After a great miracle or success.*

"And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone." Matt. 14: 23.

6. *When life was unusually busy and company thronged about Him.*

"But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities. And he withdrew himself into the wilderness, and prayed." Lu. 5: 15, 16.

7. *When He felt forsaken.*

"And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" Matt. 27: 46.

8. *Just before His crucifixion or the greatest trial of His life.*

"Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder." Matt. 26: 36.

9. *Just before His transfiguration.*

"And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray. And as he prayed the

fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment was white and glistering." Lu. 9:28, 29.

Liberty.

I. PROMISED.

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek: he hath sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn." Isa. 61:1, 2.

II. CALLED TO.

"For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another." Gal. 5:13.

III. HOW GIVEN.

1. *Through Christ.*

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." Gal. 5:1.

2. *Through the Gospel.*

"For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death." Rom. 8:2.

IV. EFFECTED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT.

"Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." 2 Cor. 3:17.

V. GOD'S PEOPLE.

1. *Free from the slavery of sin.*

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised." Lu. 4: 18.

2. *Should be free to assert their liberty.*

"Conscience, I say, not thine own, but of the other: for why is my liberty judged of another man's conscience?" 1 Cor. 10: 29.

3. *Walk in liberty.*

"And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts." Ps. 119: 45.

4. *Stand fast in liberty.*

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free." Gal. 5: 1.

Living Realities.

1. *Living God.*

"Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." Matt. 16: 16.

2. *Living word.*

"Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever." 1 Pet. 1: 23.

3. *Living stone or foundation.*

"To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious." 1 Pet. 2:4.

4. *Living way.*

"By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh." Heb. 10:20.

5. *Living bread.*

"I am the living bread which came down from heaven." Jno. 6:51.

6. *Living water.*

"Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldst have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water." Jno. 4:10.

7. *Living intercession.*

"Wherefore he is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them." Heb. 7:25.

8. *Living hope.*

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a living hope, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." 1 Pet. 1:3. R. V.

Living Waters.

1. *Waters of invitation.*

"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Rev. 22: 17.

2. *Waters of regeneration.*

"And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean." 2 Kings 5: 10.

3. *Waters of cleansing.*

"That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word." Eph. 5: 26.

4. *Waters of service or blessing.*

"He that believeth on me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." Jno. 7: 38.

5. *Waters of intercession.*

"Oh, that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughters of my people." Jer. 9: 1.

6. *Waters of growth.*

"And thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not." Isa. 58: 11.

7. *Waters of healing.*

"The neighbours therefore, and they which had before

seen him that he was blind, said, Is not this he that sat and begged?" Jno. 9:8.

8. *Waters of final victory.*

"But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life." Jno. 4:14.

"Let Us" in Hebrews.

1. *Fear, lest we fail.*

"Let us therefore fear, lest a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it." Heb. 4:1.

2. *Give diligence.*

"Let us labour therefore to enter into this rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief." Heb. 4:11.

3. *Lay aside every weight.*

"Let us lay aside every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us." Heb. 12:1.

4. *Run.*

"Let us lay aside every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us." Heb. 12:1.

5. *Go on unto perfection.*

"Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of

Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God." Heb. 6:1.

6. *Hold fast.*

"Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; for he is faithful that promised." Heb. 10:23.

7. *Draw near.*

"Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water." Heb. 10:22.

8. *Consider one another.*

"And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works." Heb. 10:24.

9. *Have grace.*

"Let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear." Heb. 12:28.

10 *Go forth unto him.*

"Let us go forth unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach." Heb. 13:13.

11. *Offer the sacrifice of praise.*

"By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name." Heb. 13:15.

Likenesses of God's Saints.

1. *Unto sheep.*

"For he is our God: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand." Ps. 95:7.

2. *Unto rivers of water.*

"He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." Jno. 7:38.

3. *Unto stall fed calves.*

"And ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall." Mal. 4:2.

4. *Unto eagles.*

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary, and they shall walk and not faint." Isa. 40:31.

5. *Unto trees planted by rivers of water.*

"And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." Ps. 1:3.

6. *Unto the palm tree.*

"The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree; he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon." Ps. 92:12.

7. *Unto the cedars of Lebanon.*

"The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree; he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon." Ps. 92:12.

8. *Unto an artesian well.*

"But whosoever shall drink of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life." Jno. 4:14.

9. *Unto a lighted city.*

"Ye are the light of the world, a city that is set on a hill cannot be hid." Matt. 5:14.

10. *Unto a watered garden.*

"And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not." Isa. 58:11.

11. *Unto a never failing spring.*

"And thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not." Isa. 58:11.

12. *Unto gold.*

"But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold." Job 23:10.

13. *Unto a dove.*

"Though ye have lien among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold." Ps. 68:13.

14. *Unto salt.*

"Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men." Matt. 5: 13.

15. *Unto lilies.*

"As the lily among thorns, so is my love among the daughters." Sol. 2: 2.

16. *Unto kings and priests.*

"And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth." Rev. 5: 10.

Light.

I. SOURCE OF.

1. *God.*

"That God is light, and in him is no darkness at all." 1 Jno. 1: 5.

2. *Jesus.*

"Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." Jno. 8: 12.

3. *Bible.*

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Ps. 119: 105.

4. *Christians.*

"Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid." Matt. 5 : 14.

II. HOW OBTAINED.

1. *By Christ.*

"Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light." Eph. 5 : 14.

2. *By rising.*

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee." Isa. 60 : 1.

3. *By believing.*

"While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light." Jno. 12 : 36.

III. CHRISTIANS SHOULD.

1. *Walk in the light.*

"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 Jno. 1 : 7.

2. *Let their light shine.*

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matt. 5 : 16.

3. *Wear light.*

"Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light." Rom. 13 : 12.

4. *Get brighter and brighter.*

"But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." Prov. 4: 18.

IV. THE HOME OF THE SAINTS A PLACE OF ENDLESS LIGHT.

"They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat." "And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign forever and ever." Rev. 7: 16; 22: 5.

Man.

I. AS CREATED.

"And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them." Gen. 1: 26, 27.

II. AFTER THE FALL.

"As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one. Their throat is an open sep-

ulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps is under their lips: whose mouth is full of cursing and bitternes: their feet are swift to shed blood: destruction and misery are in their ways: and the way of peace have they not known: there is no fear of God before their eyes.'" Rom. 3: 10-18.

III. AS HE SHOULD BE.

1. *Saved from his sins.*

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins." Matt. 1: 21.

2. *Sanctified holy.*

"Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." Jno. 17: 17.

3. *Obedient.*

"Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams." 1 Sam. 15: 22.

4. *Strong in the Lord.*

"But the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits." Dan. 11: 32.

5. *More than conquerors.*

"Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors, through him that loved us." Rom. 8: 37.

IV. AS HE WILL BE.

"He that is unjust, let him be unjust still, and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous,

let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still." Rev. 22:11.

V. A TRINITY.

1. *The conscience to feel right or wrong.*
2. *The affections to love or hate.*
3. *The will to choose or reject.*

Men Wanted for the Lord's Service.

1. *Men of separation like Moses.*

"By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured as seeing him who is invisible." Heb. 11:27.

2. *Men like Daniel who dare to do right.*

"But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank." Dan. 1:8.

3. *Men like the Hebrew boys who will suffer with him.*

"If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O King. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up." Dan. 3:17, 18.

4. *Men of prayer like Elijah.*

"Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain; and it

rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit." Jas. 5:17, 18.

5. *Men of work like Noah.*

"By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith." Heb. 11:7.

6. *Men of faith like Stephen.*

"And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Ghost." Acts 6:5.

7. *Men of courage like Joshua.*

"Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Jos. 1:9.

8. *Men like Peter, bold to proclaim the whole truth.*

"And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him. When they heard that they were cut to the heart, and took counsel to slay them." Acts 5:32, 33.

9. *Men like Paul with convictions, and dare to assert them.*

"Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me." Acts 27:25.

New Things.

1. *New birth.*

"Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Jno. 3:3.

2. *A new heart.*

"A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you." Ezek. 36:26.

3. *A new tongue.*

"In my name they shall cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues." Mk. 16:17.

4. *A new creature.*

"Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." 2 Cor. 5:17.

5. *A new way.*

"By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the vail, that is to say, his flesh." Heb. 10:20.

6. *A new song.*

"And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God." Ps. 40:3.

7. *A new spirit.*

"And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness." Eph. 4:23, 24.

8. *A new life.*

"Even so we also should walk in newness of life." Rom. 6:4.

9. *A new name.*

"Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, * * * and I will write upon him my new name." Rev. 3:12.

10. *New mercies.*

"It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness." Lam. 3:22, 23.

11. *New fruits.*

"It shall bring forth new fruit according to his months, because their waters they issued out of the sanctuary: and the fruit therefore shall be for the meat and the leaf thereof for medicine." Ezek. 47:12.

12. *New wine bursts forth.*

"So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Prov. 3:10.

Now.

1. *Now is the time to awaken.*

"And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed." Rom. 13:11.

2. *Now, come and accept.*

"And sent his servant at supper time to say unto them that were bidden, Come, for all things are now ready." Lu. 14:17.

3. *Now there is freedom.*

"But now being made free from sin, and become servants of God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life." Rom. 6:22.

4. *Now are we saints of God.*

"Beloved, now are we the sons of God; and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is." 1 Jno. 3:2.

5. *Now is the time to obey.*

"Before I was afflicted I went astray; but now have I kept thy word." Ps. 119:67.

6. *Now we live the life.*

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." Gal. 2:20.

7. *Now we know only in part.*

"Now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known." 1 Cor. 13:12.

8. *Now is the time to accept salvation.*

"Behold, now is the accepted time: behold, now is the day of salvation." 2 Cor. 6:2.

Open Things.

1. *Opened eyes to the truth.*

"To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me." Acts 26: 18.

2. *Opened fountain for sin.*

"In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness." Zech. 13: 1.

3. *Opened windows of heaven for blessing.*

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3: 10.

4. *Opened eyes—a manifestation of God's healing power.*

"To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house." Isa. 42: 7.

5. *Opened door of utterance.*

"Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds." Col. 4: 3.

6. *Opened mouth for the ministry.*

"And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel." Eph. 6: 19.

7. *Opened Scriptures for comfort.*

"Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the Scriptures." Lu. 24: 32.

8. *Opened door for revelation.*

"Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name." Rev. 3: 8.

9. *Opened door to things that must be hereafter.*

"After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter." Rev. 4: 1.

Obedience.

1. *Brings eternal salvation.*

"And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him." Heb. 5: 9.

2. *Holy Ghost given to them that obey.*

"And we are his witnesses of these things: and so is

also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him." Acts 5:32.

3. *We are known by our obedience.*

"For your obedience is come abroad unto all men." Rom. 16:19.

4. *Obey without feelings.*

"Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed not in my presence only, but now much more in my absence." Phil. 2:12.

5. *Obedience of others brings obedience and confidence.*

"And his inward affection is more abundant toward you, whilst he remembereth the obedience of you all, how with fear and trembling ye received him. I rejoice therefore that I have confidence in you in all things." 2 Cor. 7:15, 16.

6. *We obey our master whether God or the devil.*

"Know ye not that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or obedience unto righteousness?" Rom. 6:16.

7. *Obey God rather than man.*

"Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, we ought to obey God rather than man." Acts 5:29.

8. *Sacrifice cannot be substituted for obedience.*

"To obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams." 1 Sam. 15:22.

9. *God's presence promised to the obedient.*

"Obey my voice and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people: and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you." Jer. 7:23.

10. *Best fruits of Canaan promised to the obedient.*

"If ye be willing and obedient ye shall eat the good of the land." Isa. 1:19.

11. *A blessing to the obedient and a curse to the disobedient.*

"Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse, a blessing, if you obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I command you this day. And a curse if ye obey not the commandments of the Lord your God, but turn aside out of the way which I commanded you this day, to go after other gods which ye have not known." Deut. 11:26-28.

Pentecostal Purity.

I. GOD'S DEFINITION.

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." Jas. 1:27.

II. PROVIDED.

"Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." Tit. 2:14.

III. PROMISED.

"Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness and from all your idols, will I cleanse you." Ezek. 36:25.

IV. COMMANDED.

"Cleanse your hands ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye doubleminded." Jas. 4:8.

V. EXPERIENCED.

"Her Nazarites were purer than snow, they were whiter than milk, they were more ruddy in body than rubies, their polishing was of sapphire." Lam. 4:7.

VI. HOW WE ARE PURIFIED.

1. *Through the truth.*

"Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently." 1 Pet. 1:22.

2. *By prayer.*

"Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean: wash me: and I shall be whiter than snow." Ps. 51:7.

3. *By faith.*

"And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith." Acts 15:9.

VII. A TEST OR EVIDENCE OF PURITY.

1. *Speaking pleasant words.*

"The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to

the Lord: but the words of the pure are pleasant words." Prov. 15:26.

2. *Live, walk, talk, pray and sacrifice as He.*

"And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure." 1 Jno. 3:3.

3. *Happy and looking for Jesus.*

"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." Matt. 5:8.

VIII. How to Keep Pure.

1. *By walking in the light.*

"But if we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 Jno. 1:7.

Pentecostal Experiences in the Acts.

1. *Filled*

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

2. *Personal.*

"He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" and they said unto Him, "We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost." Acts 19. 2.

3. *Positive.*

"And when Paul had laid his hand upon them, the

Holy Ghost came upon them, and they spake with tongues and prophesied." Acts 19:6.

4. *Powerful.*

"But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1:8.

5. *Fearless.*

"And he went into the synagogues and spake boldly for the space of three months." Acts 19:8.

6. *Joyful.*

"Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shall make me full of joy, with thy countenance." "Praising God and having favor with all the people." Acts 2:28, 47.

7. *Permanent.*

"And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship; and in breaking of bread, and in prayers." Acts 2:42.

8. *Fruitful.*

"And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." Acts 2: 47.

9. *Uncontainable.*

"Now when this was noised abroad the multitude came together and were confounded." Acts 2:6.

10. *Intoxicating.*

"Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine." Acts 2:13.

11. *Fascinating.*

"Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came and were confounded because that every man heard them speak in his own language." Acts 2:6.

Patience.

I. CONCERNING PATIENCE.

1. *God is a God of patience.*

"Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be like-minded one toward another." Rom. 15:5.

2. *The prophets and saints of past ages are examples of patience.*

"Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience." Jas. 5:10.

3. *Patience perfected.*

"Let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing." Jas. 1:4.

4. *Produces experience.*

"And patience, experience; and experience, hope." Rom. 5:4.

5. *God is delighted to have us suffer with patience for well doing*

"For what glory is it, if, when ye are buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently, but if, when ye do well

and suffer for it, ye shall take it patiently, this is acceptable with God." I Pet. 2:20.

II. HOW INCREASED.

1. *By constant experience.*

"And beside this giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity: for if these things be in you and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Pet. 1:5-8.

2. *By going through deep trial.*

"And not only so, but we glory in tribulation also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience." Rom. 5:3.

III. SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY.

1. *Faith.*

"So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulation that ye endure." 2 Thess. 1:4.

2. *Joy.*

"Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness." Col. 1:11.

IV. HOW EXERCISED.

1. *In running the Christian race.*

"Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth

so easily beset us and let us run with patience the race that is before us." Heb. 12:1.

2. *In well doing.*

"And let us not be weary in well-doing; for in due season we shall reap; if we faint not." Gal. 6:9.

3. *In bearing fruit.*

"But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience." Lu. 8:15.

4. *In receiving answers to prayer.*

"That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises." Heb. 6:12.

5. *In waiting for Christ.*

"Be ye also patient: stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh." Jas. 5:8.

Prayers Hindered.

1. *By asking amiss.*

"Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts." Jas. 4:3.

2. *By sinning.*

"But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear." Isa. 59:2.

3. *By having idols in our hearts.*

"Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face; should I be enquired of at all by them?" Ezek. 14:3.

4. *By refusing to hear the cry of the poor.*

"Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard." Prov. 21:13.

5. *By an unforgiving spirit.*

"And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any; that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses." Mk. 11:25.

6. *By neglecting duty of husband to wife, and wife to husband, and family trouble in general.*

"Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered." 1 Pet. 3:7.

7. *By unbelief.*

"But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea, driven with the wind and tossed." Jas. 1:6, 7.

Peace.

1. *God, the author.*

"For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints." 1 Cor. 14:33.

2. *Acquaintance essential to peace.*

"Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee." Job 22:21.

3. *Comes through Christ.*

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." Jno. 14:27.

II. THOSE WHO HAVE THE PEACE OF GOD.

1. *The justified.*

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Rom. 5:1.

2. *Those who are in Christ.*

"These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." Jno. 16:33.

3. *They who enjoy life.*

"What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good? Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile. Depart from evil and do good; seek peace, and pursue it." Ps. 34:12-14.

4. *Those who offend not.*

"Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them." Ps. 119:165.

5. *Those who are taught of God.*

"And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children." Isa. 54:13.

III. GOD'S PEACE IS DECLARED TO BE.

1. *Great.*

"Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them." Ps. 119: 165.

2. *Abundant.*

"In his days shall the righteous flourish: and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth." Ps. 72: 7.

3. *Like a river.*

"For thus saith the Lord, Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream." Isa. 66: 12.

IV. GOD'S PEOPLE.

1. *Are blessed with peace.*

"The Lord will give strength unto his people; the Lord will bless his people with peace." Ps. 29: 11.

2. *Are ruled by peace.*

"And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful." Col. 3: 15.

3. *Are kept by peace.*

"And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Phil. 4: 7.

4. *Die in peace.*

"Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace." Ps. 37: 37.

Power of the Holy Ghost.

1. *The Holy Ghost is the power himself.*

"But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1:8.

2. *Christ commenced his ministry in the power of the Spirit.*

"And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee; and there went out a fame of him through all the regions round about." Lu. 4:14.

3. *Christ wrought his miracles through the power of the Holy Ghost.*

"But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you." Matt. 12:28.

4. *Christ was raised from the dead by the power of the Holy Ghost.*

"For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but quickened by the Spirit." 1 Pet. 3:18.

5. *The saints are upheld by the power of the Holy Ghost.*

"Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation, and uphold me by thy free Spirit." Ps. 51:12.

6. *Saints are strengthened by the power of the Holy Ghost.*

"That he would grant you, according to the riches of

his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man." Eph. 3:16.

7. *Saints are helped in prayer by the power of the Holy Ghost.*

"Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered." Rom. 8:26.

8. *Saints abound in hope by the Holy Ghost.*

"Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost." Rom. 15:13.

9. *The giving of all spiritual life is by the power of the Holy Ghost.*

"And shall put my Spirit in you and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land, then shall ye know that I the Lord hath spoken it and performed it saith the Lord." Ezek. 37:14.

10. *God's word the instrument of the Holy Ghost.*

"And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." Eph. 6:17.

11. *Led or guided by the Holy Ghost.*

"Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth." Jno. 16:13.

Purity.

I. PROVIDED.

"Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." Tit. 2:14.

II. COMMANDED.

"Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded." Jas. 4:8.

III. PURIFIED BY GOD.

"And I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely purge away thy dross, and take away all thy tin." Isa. 1:25.

IV. JESUS THE STANDARD OF PURITY.

"And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure." 1 Jno. 3:3.

1. *It enables us to stand in God's favor or holy place.*

"Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands and a pure heart." Ps. 24:3, 4.

2. *Enables us to speak pleasant words.*

"The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination unto the Lord; but the words of the pure are pleasant words." Prov. 15:26.

3. *Gives pure thoughts.*

"This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you;

in both which I stir up your pure minds by the way of remembrance." 2 Pet. 3:1.

4. *Gives pure conscience.*

"Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience." 1 Tim. 3:9.

5. *Protection granted unto the pure.*

"He that loveth pureness of heart, for the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend." Prov. 22:11.

6. *Pure love exists between the brethren.*

"Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth, through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently." 1 Pet. 1:22.

7. *It is the only preparation whereby we can see God.*

"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." Acts 5:8.

Put Off and Put On.

I. PUT OFF.

1. *Sinful garments.*

"And he casting away his garments, rose, and came to Jesus." Mk. 10:50.

2. *Sin of anger.*

"But now ye also put off all these, Anger, wrath,

malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth." Col. 3:8.

3. *Sin of wrath.*

"But now ye also put off all these, Anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth." Col. 3:8.

4. *Sin of malice.*

"But now ye also put off all these, Anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth." Col. 3:8.

5. *Sin of blasphemy.*

"But now ye also put off all these, Anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, fifthy communication out of your mouth." Col. 3:8.

6. *Sin of filthy conversation.*

"But now ye also put off all these, Anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth." Col. 3:8.

7. *Sin of the old man.*

"Lie not one to another, seeing ye have put off the old man with his deeds." Col. 3:9.

8. *The works of darkness.*

"Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light." Rom. 13:12.

9. *Sin of lying.*

"Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man the truth with his neighbor." Eph. 4:25.

II. PUT ON.

1. *The new man Christ.*

"And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him." Col. 3 : 10.

2. *The garment of holiness.*

"And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness." Eph. 4 : 24.

3. *The garment of light.*

"And let us put on the armor of light." Rom. 13 : 12.

4. *The garment of mercy.*

"Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercy, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering." Col. 3 : 12.

5. *The garment of kindness.*

"Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercy, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering." Col. 3 : 12.

6. *The garment of humility.*

"Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercy, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering." Col. 3 : 12.

7. *The garment of meekness.*

"Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercy, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering." Col. 3 : 12.

8. *The garment of long suffering.*

"Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercy, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering." Col. 3: 12.

9. *The garment of love.*

"And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness." Col. 3: 14.

10. *The garment of strength and beauty.*

"Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments." Isa. 52: 1.

11. *Put on the whole armor.*

"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Eph. 6: 11.

Run That Ye May Be Able to Obtain.

1. *A preparation for running.*

"Wherefore, seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us." Heb. 12: 1.

2. *Many run but few win.*

"Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain." 1 Cor. 9: 24.

3. *We are safe and sure to win if we run in His name.*

"The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth in it, and is safe." Prov. 18: 10.

4. *Stumblers fail to win the prize.*

"When thou goest, thy steps shall not be straightened; and when thou runnest, thou shalt not stumble." Prov. 4: 12.

5. *The Word to the soul is like steam to the engine.*

"He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth: his word runneth very swiftly." Ps. 147: 15.

6. *If we run the Bible way we will have large hearts.*

"I will run the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt enlarge my heart." Ps. 119: 32.

7. *Strength renewed while on the race course.*

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; they shall walk, and not faint." Isa. 40: 31.

8. *The successful runner will receive a prize or crown.*

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." 2 Tim. 4: 7, 8.

Rest.

I. HOW RECEIVED.

1. *By coming to Jesus.*

"Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28.

2. *By asking.*

"Thus saith the Lord, stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls." Jer. 6:16.

3. *By believing.*

"For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, as I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest." Heb. 4:3.

II. FROM WHAT.

1. *Sorrow.*

"And it shall come to pass in the day that the Lord shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage, wherein thou wast made to serve." Isa. 14:3.

2. *From fear.*

"And it shall come to pass in the day that the Lord shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage, wherein thou wast made to serve." Isa. 14:3.

3. *Bondage.*

"And it shall come to pass in the day that the Lord shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage, wherein thou wast made to serve." Isa. 14:3.

4. *Fear of death.*

"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." Ps. 23:4.

5. *The presence of sin in glory.*

"There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God." Heb. 4:9.

Robbing.

I. MANIFESTED IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS.

1. *By holding back their laborers' wages.*

"Woe unto him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his chambers by wrong; that useth his neighbor's service without wages, and give him not for his work." Jer. 22:13.

2. *By unjust weight and measure.*

"He is a merchant, the balances of deceit are in his hand; he loveth to oppress." Hosea. 12:7. "A false balance is abomination unto the Lord." Prov. 11:1.

3. *By overreaching.*

"That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in

any matter; because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified." 1 Thess. 4:6.

4. *By taking advantages in trading.*

"Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another." Lev. 19:11.

5. *By stealing.*

"Thou shalt not steal." Ex. 20:15.

6. *By borrowing and not giving back.*

"The wicked borroweth and payeth not again; but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth." Ps. 37:21.

7. *By oppressing the poor.*

"The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy; yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully." Ezek. 22:29.

II. GOD WILL PUNISH THE DISHONEST.

1. *Sometime in this life.*

"He that oppresseth the poor to increase his riches, and he that giveth to the rich shall surely come to want." Prov. 22:16.

2. *In the world to come.*

"Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you, your riches are corrupt, and your garments are moth-eaten, your gold and silver is cankered and the rust of them shall be a witness

against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire, ye have heaped treasures together for the last day." Jas. 5:1-3.

Saints' Hiding Place.

I. IN HIS TABERNACLE.

"For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavillion; in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock." Ps. 27:5.

II. IN HIS SHADOW.

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most high shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." Ps. 91:1.

III. IN HIS HAND.

"Neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which giveth them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand." Jno. 10:28, 29.

IV. IN HIS PRESENCE.

"Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence, from the pride of man; thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues." Ps. 31:20.

V. UNDER HIS WINGS.

"I will abide in thy tabernacle forever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings." Ps. 61:4.

VI. UNDER HIS FEATHERS.

"He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust." Ps. 91:4.

VII. IN HIS WORD.

"Thou art my hiding place and my shield; I hope in thy word." Ps. 119:114.

VIII. IN HIS QUIVER.

"In the shadow of his hand hath he hid me, and made me a polished shaft; in His quiver hath he kept me." Isa. 49:2.

Saints' Feet.

I. SET ON THE ROCK OF STABILITY.

"He brought me up out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings." Ps. 40:2.

II. SET IN A LARGE PLACE OF LIBERTY.

"Thou hast set my feet in a large room or place." Ps. 31:8.

III. DIPPED IN OIL OF GLADNESS.

"Let him be acceptable to his brethren, and let him dip his foot in oil." Deut. 33:24.

IV. SHOD WITH GOSPEL OF PEACE.

"And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace." Eph. 6:15.

V. ELASTIC LIKE THE HINDS' FEET.

"He maketh my feet like hinds' feet, and setteth me upon high places." Ps. 18:33.

VI. KEPT BY GOD.

"He will keep the feet of his saints."

VII. GUIDED BY CHRIST.

"To guide our feet into the ways of peace." Lu. 1:79.

Saints' Attitude Toward the Spirit.

1. *Be filled with Spirit.*

"Be not drunk with wine wherein is access, but be filled with the Spirit." Eph. 5:18.

2. *Empowered by the Spirit.*

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1:8.

3. *Abiding in the liberty of the Spirit.*

"Now the Lord is that Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." 2 Cor. 3:17.

4. *Walking in the Spirit.*

"If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit." Gal. 5:25.

5. *Speak in the Spirit.*

"And began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

6. *Worship in the Spirit.*

"God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in Spirit and in truth." Jno. 4:24.

7. *Fervent in Spirit.*

"Not slothful in business; fervent in Spirit; serving the Lord." Rom. 12:11.

8. *Love in the Spirit.*

"Who also declare unto us your love in the Spirit." Col. 1:8.

9. *Led by the Spirit.*

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the Sons of God." Rom. 8:14.

10. *Pray in the Spirit.*

"Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit." Eph. 6:18.

Stand.

I. QUALIFICATION TO STAND.

1. *The whole armor of God.*

"Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and done all, to stand." Eph. 6:13.

2. *The armor consists of.*

(a) *Girdle.*

"Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth." Eph. 6:14.

(b) *Breastplate.*

"And having on the breastplate of righteousness." Eph. 6: 14.

(c) *Peace shoes.*

"And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace." Eph. 6: 15.

(d) *Shield of faith.*

"Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked." Eph. 6: 17.

(e) *Sword of the Spirit.*

"Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." Eph. 6: 17.

II. WHERE AND HOW WE STAND.

1. *In the Lord.*

"For now we live, if we stand fast in the Lord." 1 Thess. 3: 8.

2. *Old paths.*

"Thus saith the Lord, stand in the ways, and see and ask for the old paths, where is the good way and walk therein." Jer. 6: 16.

3. *In the Holy place.*

"Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in His holy place? He that hath clean hands and a pure heart." Ps. 24: 3, 4.

4. *In the grace.*

"By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in the hope of the glory of God." Rom. 5:2.

5. *In the liberty.*

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." Gal. 5:1.

6. *In the faith.*

"Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong." 1 Cor. 16. 13.

7. *In the fight.*

"Ye shall not need to fight in this battle; set yourselves, stand ye still, and see the salvation of the Lord with you." 2 Chron. 20:17.

III. IN CONCLUSION.

"For the great day of his wrath has come; and who shall be able to stand." Rev. 6:17.

Seeking God.

I. THE TIME TO SEEK GOD.

1. *Early in life.*

"And those that seek me early shall find me." Prov. 8:13.

2. *While He may be found.*

"Seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near." Isa. 55:6.

3. *To-day.*

"Behold now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." 2 Cor. 6:2.

II. THE MANNER IN WHICH WE MUST SEEK HIM.

1. *With our whole heart and soul.*

"But if from thence thou shalt seek the Lord thy God, thou shalt find Him, if thou seek Him with all thy heart and with all thy soul." Deut 4:29.

2. *With repentance, confession and prayer.*

"And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplication, with fasting, and sackcloth and ashes; and I prayed unto the Lord my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, we have sinned, and have committed iniquity and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments." Dan. 9:3-5.

3. *With faith and diligence.*

"But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." Heb. 11:6.

III. PROMISES TO THOSE WHO SEEK GOD EARLY.

1. *They shall find.*

"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." Matt. 7:7.

2. *They shall have life.*

"For thus saith the Lord unto the house of Israel, seek ye Me and ye shall live." Amos 5:4.

3. *They shall not want any good thing.*

"The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing." Ps. 34:10.

4. *They are blessed.*

"Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and they that seek him with a whole heart." Ps. 119:2.

5. *They rejoice.*

"Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord." Ps. 105:3.

6. *They end in praise and eternal life.*

"They shall praise the Lord that seek Him: your heart shall live forever." Ps. 22:26.

Strangers and Pilgrims.

I. STRANGER IMPLIES.

1. *That this world is not our home.*

"But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; for He hath prepared for them a city." Heb. 11:16.

2. *We are traveling to another clime.*

"Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow,

for what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." Jas 4:14.

II. PILGRIMS.

"But having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth." Heb. 11:13.

III. STRANGERS.

"For I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were." Ps. 39:12.

IV. GOD'S SAINTS ARE PILGRIMS AND STRANGERS.

1. *Jesus our example.*

"Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests: but the Son of Man hath not where to lay His head." Lu. 9:58.

2. *Forsake all for Christ.*

"Whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple." Lu. 14:33.

3. *Shine as lights in the world.*

"In the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world." Phil. 2:15.

4. *They look for a heavenly country or city.*

"Nevertheless we according to this promise, look for a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness." 2 Pet. 3:13.

5. *Have their treasures in heaven.*

"But lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal." Mat. 6:20.

Shining.

I. MADE TO SHINE. BY WHOM.

1. *By Jesus.*

"At mid-day, O king, I saw in the way a light from Heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me, and them which journeyed with me." Acts 26:13.

2. *By the oil and wine of the Holy Ghost.*

"And wine that maketh glad the heart of man, and oil to make his face shine." Ps. 104:15.

II. WHO SHALL SHINE.

1. *The righteous.*

"Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their father." Matt. 13:43.

2. *Those that are wise and win souls.*

"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars forever and ever." Dan. 12:3.

3. *The healthy are fat.*

"They are waxing fat, they shine yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked." Jer. 5:28.

III. HOW WE SHALL SHINE.

1. *More and more.*

"But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more." Prov. 4: 18.

2. *Shine as the morning.*

"Thine age shall be clearer than the noon day; thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning." Job 11: 17.

IV. WHEN WE SHALL SHINE.

1. *In trial.*

"And behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison; and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell away from his hands." Acts 12: 7.

V. WHERE WE SHALL SHINE.

1. *In the world.*

"That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation among whom ye shine as lights in the world." Phil. 2: 15.

2. *Before men.*

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your father which is in Heaven." Matt. 5: 16.

3. *In Heaven.*

"And the city had no need of the sun, neither the moon,

to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the lamb is the light thereof." Rev. 21:23.

Steadfastness.

I. BE STEADFAST.

1. *In faith.*

"Yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ. As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him; rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving." Col. 2:5-7.

2. *In freedom.*

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty, wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." Gal. 5:1.

3. *In doctrine.*

"And they continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doctrine, and fellowship, and the breaking of bread, and in prayers." Acts 2:42.

4. *In fellowship.*

"And they continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doctrine, and fellowship, and the breaking of bread, and in prayers." Acts 2:42.

5. *In prayer.*

"And they continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doctrine, and fellowship, and the breaking of bread, and in prayers." Acts 2:42.

6. *In love.*

"That ye being rooted and grounded in love." Eph. 3:17.

7. *In boldness.*

"For then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot: yea, thou shalt be steadfast and shalt not fear." Job 11:15.

8. *In the Lord's service.*

"Therefore my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." 2 Cor. 15: 58.

9. *In resisting the devil.*

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour; whom resist steadfast in the faith." 1 Pet. 5:8, 9.

10. *In holding to our profession.*

"But Christ as a Son over his own house: whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence, and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end. For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence, steadfast unto the end." Heb. 3:6, 14.

Saints' Hotel.

I. ITS LOCATION IS BEAUTIFUL AND COMPANY FIRST CLASS.

"An highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall

be called the way of holiness, the unclean shall not pass over it, but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools shall not err therein. No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, they shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there." Isa. 35:8.

II. MEALS SERVED AT ALL HOURS.

"Blessed are they that do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." Matt. 5:6.

III. SERVING COMMITTEE.

"Verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself and make them sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them." Lu. 12:37.

IV. BILL OF FARE.

1. *Bread.*

"I am the bread of life, he that cometh to me shall never hunger." John 6:35.

2. *Meat.*

"But he said unto them, I have meat to eat that ye know not of." Jno. 4:32.

3. *Roast with dressing.*

"Butter of kine, and milk of sheep, with the fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat." Deut. 32:14.

4. *Fruit.*

"Thus hath the Lord God shewed unto me: and behold a basket of summer fruit." Amos 8:1.

5. *Water.*

"But the water I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life," Jno. 4:14.

6. *Angels' food.*

"Man did eat angels' food; he sent them meat to the full." Ps. 78:25.

7. *Honey.*

"And he made him to suck honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock." Deut. 32:13.

8. *Wine and milk.*

"Yea, come, buy wine without money and without price." Isa. 55:1.

V. IF YOU DON'T SEE WHAT YOU WANT, ASK FOR IT.

"Whatsoever ye shall ask the father in my name, he will give it you. Ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." Jno. 16:23; 15:7.

Strength.

I. STRENGTH OF SALVATION TO SAVE.

"Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust, and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is my strength; and my song: he also is become my salvation." Isa. 12:2.

II. STRENGTH OF GRACE TO EMPOWER.

"My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness." 2 Cor. 12:9.

III. The Strength of His Arm to Sustain us.

"Fear thou not, for I am with thee: be not dismayed, for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee: I will help thee: Yea, I will uphold with the right hand of my righteousness." Isa. 41:10.

IV. Strength of His Arm to Protect.

"My brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Eph. 6:10, 11.

V. Strength of His Joy to Gladden.

"For the joy of the Lord is your strength." Neh. 8:10.

VI. Strength of the Holy Ghost to Qualify.

"But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1:8.

VII. Strength May be Increased.

"He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength." Isa. 40:29. "They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion." Ps. 84:7.

"Shall Nots" of John's Gospel.

I. Shall not Come into Condemnation.

"He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that

sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." Jno. 5:24.

II. SHALL NOT WALK IN DARKNESS.

"I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." Jno. 8:12.

III. SHALL NOT HUNGER.

"And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger." Jno. 6:35.

IV. SHALL NOT THIRST.

"But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life." Jno. 4:14.

V. SHALL NOT PERISH.

"That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Jno. 3:15.

VI. SHALL NOT BE PLUCKED OUT OF MY HAND.

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any pluck them out of my hand." Jno. 10:28.

VII. SHALL NOT DIE.

"And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die." Jno. 11:26.

Scriptural Giving.

I. WHY SHOULD WE GIVE.

1. *Because we are His stewards.*

"But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? For all things come of thee and of thine own have we given thee." 1 Chron. 29:14.

2. *Christ our example.*

"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich." 2 Cor. 8:9.

3. *We are commanded.*

"Trust not in uncertain riches, but in the living God who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate." 1 Tim. 6:17, 18.

4. *Because it is an incentive to others.*

"Every man according as he purposeth in his heart so let him give, not grudgingly, or of necessity for God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. 9:7.

5. *Blessed by giving.*

"There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty. The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself." Prov. 11:24, 25.

II. HOW RECEIVED IN ORDER TO GIVE.

1. *By work.*

"I have showed you all things, how that so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35.

2. *By laying by in store.*

"Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath hath prospered him, that there be no garnerings when I come." 1 Cor. 16:2.

III. HOW MUCH TO GIVE.

1. *As the Lord hath prospered.*

"And thou shalt keep the feast of the weeks unto the Lord thy God with a tribute of a free will offering of thy hand, which thou shalt give unto the Lord thy God, according as the Lord thy God hath blessed thee." Deut. 16:10.

2. *One tenth.*

"And of all that thou shalt give I shall surely give the tenth unto thee." Gen. 28:22. "The tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." Lev. 27:32.

IV. WHEN TO GIVE.

1. *When and where we see needed.*

"But rather let him labor, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth." Eph. 4:28.

2. *When we appear before the Lord.*

"And they shall not appear before the Lord empty: Every man shall give as he is able according to the blessings of the Lord thy God which he hath given thee." Deut. 16:16, 17.

Seeking Salvation.

I. THE SINNER'S PART.

1. *He must see himself as a sinner.*

"Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts." Isa. 6:5.

2. *He must feel the Spirit's woeing.*

"No man can come to me, except the Father which sent me draw him." Jno. 6:44.

3. *He must have faith in God:*

"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." Heb. 11:6.

4. *He must confess his sins.*

"If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins." 1 Jno. 1:9.

5. *He must forsake sin.*

"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord,

and he will have mercy upon him: and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." Isa. 55:7.

6. *He must forgive those who have wronged him.*

"For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." Matt. 6:14, 15.

7. *Must make restitution.*

"Behold Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor: and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I will restore him fourfold." Lu. 19:8.

8. *Must call upon God in prayer.*

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Rom. 10:13.

9. *Must accept Christ as his only Saviour.*

"Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12.

10. *He must believe in Christ for salvation.*

"For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Rom. 10:10.

II. GOD'S PROMISES TO THE SEEKER.

1. *Will not cast out.*

"Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." Jno. 6:37.

2. *Shall find.*

"Ask and it shall be given you: seek and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." Matt. 7:7.

3. *Will remit sins.*

"Come now let us reason together saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isa. 1:18.

4. *Will give rest.*

"Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28.

Salvation.

1. *Provided.*

"Therefore his arm brought salvation unto him; and his righteousness it sustained him." Isa. 59:16. "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men, teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly and righteously, and godly in this present world." Tit. 2:11, 12.

2. *Common.*

"Beloved, when I give all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." Jude 3.

3. *Personal.*

"For thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day." Ps. 25:5.

4. *Powerful.*

"The Lord is my rock and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust, my buckler, and the horn of my salvation and my high tower." Ps. 18:2.

5. *Eternal.*

"He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him." Heb. 5:9.

6. *Inexhaustable.*

"Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation." Isa. 12:3.

7. *Great.*

"How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him." Heb. 2:3.

8. *Know-so.*

"To give knowledge of salvation unto his people, by the remission of their sins." Lu. 1:77.

9. *Keeping.*

"Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." 1 Pet. 1:5.

10. *Everlasting.*

"But Israel shall be saved in the Lord with an everlasting salvation." Isa. 45:17.

11. *Beautiful.*

"For the Lord taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation." Ps. 149:4.

12. *Daily.*

"Show forth his salvation from day to day." Ps. 96:2.

13. *Joyful.*

"That I may show forth all thy praise in the gates of the daughter of Zion, I will rejoice in thy salvation." Ps. 9:14.

14. *Present.*

"Behold now is the accepted time, behold now is the day of salvation." 2 Cor. 6:2.

15. *Dressy.*

"For he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with jewels." Isa. 61:10.

Signs to Precede His Coming.

1. *The gospel to be preached in all the world.*

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations: and then shall the end come." Matt. 24:14.

2. *It will be a period of apostasy and unbelief.*

"I tell you he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" Lu. 18:8. "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away." 2 Tim. 3:1-5. "Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, and saying, Where is the promise of His coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation." 2 Pet. 3:3, 4.

3. *It will be a time of spiritual pride.*

"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron." 1 Tim. 4:1, 2. "Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." 2 Tim. 3:12.

4. *Corrupt doctrine.*

"For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables." 2 Tim. 4:3, 4.

5. *A time of war and earthquakes.*

"And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows." Matt. 24:6-8.

6. *False prophets and sin abound.*

"And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." Matt. 24:11, 12.

7. *As it was in the days of Noah and Lot.*

"And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot: they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom, it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed." Lu. 17:26-30.

Seven Requisites for Soul-Winning.

"The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise." Prov. 11:30.

I. GOD-GIVEN PREPARATION—JESUS OUR EXAMPLE.

1. *Received the Holy Ghost.*

"And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him; and a voice came from heaven, and said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased." Lu. 3:22.

2. *Full of the Holy Ghost.*

"And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness." Lu. 4:1.

3. *Power of the Spirit.*

"And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about." Lu. 4:14.

SCRIPTURE PROOF THAT WE MUST HAVE A LIKE PREPARATION.

1. *Purged or sanctified.*

"If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work." 2 Tim. 2:21.

2. *Tarry until Pentecost received.*

"And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you; but tarry, ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high." Lu. 24:49.

3. *Receive power.*

"But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1:8.

4. *Baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire.*

"I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." Matt. 3:11.

II. PRAYER—JESUS OUR EXAMPLE.

1. *Prayed all night.*

"And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." Lu. 6:12.

2. *Secret prayer.*

"But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father, which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." Matt. 6:6.

3. *Pray everywhere.*

"I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." 1 Tim. 2:8.

4. *Pray always.*

"Pray without ceasing." 1 Thess. 5:17.

III. WORK.—JESUS OUR EXAMPLE.

1. *Straightway entered service.*

"And they went into Capernaum; and straightway on

the Sabbath day he entered into the synagogue, and taught." Mk. 1:21.

2. *Always in the service of God.*

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Cor. 15:58.

3. *Hand service done with might.*

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest." Ecc. 9:10.

4. *Workers with God.*

"We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain." 2 Cor. 6:1.

IV. A KNOWLEDGE AND THE RIGHT USE OF THE WORD. —JESUS OUR EXAMPLE.

1. *All astonished at his understanding.*

"And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers." Lu. 2:47.

2. *Letters known without learning.*

"And the Jews marveled, saying, How knoweth this man letters, having never learned?" Jno. 7:15.

3. *Our understanding opened.*

"Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures." Lu. 24:45.

4. *Study.*

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Tim. 2:15.

5. *Preach the word.*

"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine." 2 Tim. 4:2.

6. *Word gives light and understanding to the simple.*

"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple." Ps. 119:130.

7. *Word like fire.*

"Is not my word like as a fire? saith the Lord; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?" Jer. 23:29.

8. *Word prospers.*

"So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." Isa. 55:11.

9. *Word is quick and powerful.*

"For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Heb. 4:12.

V. COURAGE.—JESUS OUR EXAMPLE.

1. *Spread boldly.*

"But, lo, he speaketh boldly, and they say nothing unto him." Jno. 7:26.

2. *Boldness of Peter.*

"Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus." Acts 4:13.

3. *Courage to persuade.*

"Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and religious proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas; who, speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the grace of God." Acts 13:43.

VI. HOLY LIFE.—JESUS OUR EXAMPLE.

1. *Give heed to the word.*

"Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." 1 Tim. 4:16.

2. *Be an example.*

"Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." 1 Tim. 4:12.

VII. TACT.—JESUS OUR EXAMPLE.

"Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents and harmless as doves." Matt. 10:16.

Sin Not.

I. Definition of Sin.

"Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law." 1 Jno. 3:4.

II. God's People do not Violate His Law.

"And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them." Ezek. 36:27.

III. God's People are Commanded not to Sin.

1. *Old Testament witnesses.*

(a) *David.*

"Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still." Ps. 4:4.

(b) *Ezekiel.*

"Nevertheless, if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul." Ezek. 3:21.

2. *New Testament witnesses.*

(a) *Jesus.*

"Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon thee. . . . . She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go and sin no more." Jno. 5:14; 8:11.

(b) *Paul.*

"Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God." 1 Cor. 15:34.

(c) *John.*

"My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." 1 Jno. 2:1.

IV. COMMANDED TO LIVE RIGHTEOUSLY.

1. *Jesus.*

"And they both were righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless." Lu. 1:6.

2. *Paul.*

"For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world." Tit. 2:11, 12.

3. *Peter.*

"Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness." 2 Pet. 3:11.

V. EFFECTS OF SINNING.

1. *It produces spiritual death.*

"The soul that sinneth, it shall die." Ezek. 18:4.

2. *It separates from God.*

"But your iniquities have separated between you and

your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear." Isa. 59:2.

3. *It brings reproach.*

"Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." Prov. 14:34.

4. *It withholds good things.*

"Your iniquities have turned away these things, and your sins have withholden good things from you." Jer. 5:25.

5. *It brings into bondage.*

"Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin." Jno. 8:34.

6. *It identifies us as being of the devil.*

"He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil." 1 Jno. 3:8.

7. *Will shut heaven against those who sin.*

"Then said Jesus again unto them, I go my way, and ye shall seek me, and shall die in your sins: whither I go, ye cannot come." Jno. 8:21.

Saints' Keeping.

I. KEEP THYSELF PURE.

"Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partakers of other men's sins: keep thyself pure." 1 Tim. 5:22.

II. KEEP UNSPOTTED FROM THE WORLD.

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." Jas. 1:27.

III. KEEP FROM IDOLS.

"Little children, keep yourselves from idols." 1 Jno. 5:21.

IV. KEEP IN THE LOVE OF GOD.

"Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life." Jude 21.

V. KEEP THE WAY OF THE LORD.

"And they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment." Gen. 18:19.

VI. KEEP THE SABBATH DAY HOLY.

"Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that ye may know that I am the Lord that doth sanctify you." Ex. 31:13.

VII. KEEP MY ORDINANCES.

"Ye shall do my judgments, and keep mine ordinances, to walk therein: I am the Lord your God." Lev. 18:4.

VIII. KEEP ALL THE WORDS OF THIS LAW.

"That he may learn to fear the Lord his God, to keep

all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them." Deut. 17:19.

IX. KEEP YOURSELVES FROM THE ACCUSED THINGS.

"And ye, in any wise keep yourselves from the accursed thing, lest ye make yourselves accursed." Josh. 6:18.

X. KEEP THY TONGUE.

"Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile." Ps. 34:13.

XI. KEEP HIS TESTIMONIES.

"Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart." Ps. 119:2.

XII. KEEP NOTHING HID.

"And it shall come to pass, that whatsoever thing the Lord shall answer you, I will declare it unto you; I will keep nothing back from you." Jer. 42:4.

XIII. KEEP HIS SAYINGS.

"Yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should say, I know him not, I shall be a liar like unto you: but I know him, and keep his saying." Jno. 8:55.

XIV. KEEP MY WORDS.

"Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also." Jno. 15:20.

Soundness.

I. SOUND MIND.

The mind is that which thinks, feels and wills. It embraces: 1. Intellect. 2. Feeling. 3. Will. Synonymous with soul and spirit.

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." 2 Tim. 1:7.

II. SOUL WISDOM.

"Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy, and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace." Jas. 3:13-18.

(Wisdom is two-fold—natural and the gift of God.)

III. SOUND DOCTRINE.

"But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine." Tit. 2:1.

IV. SOUND HEART.

"A sound heart is the life of the flesh, but envy the rottenness of the bones." Prov. 14:30.

V. Sound Words.

"Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus." 2 Tim. 1:13.

VI. Sound Faith.

"This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith." Tit. 1:13.

(a) *Defective faith is like a broken bridge.*

(b) *Defective faith is like a straw to a drowning man.*

(c) *Sound faith brings something to pass and gives victory.*

"Shall Be's" of the Lord.

1. *Shalt be saved.*

"And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." Acts. 16:31.

2. *Shall be delivered.*

"And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be delivered: for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the Lord hath said, and in the remnant whom the Lord shall call." Joel. 2:32.

3. *Shall be in you.*

"Even the Spirit of truth: whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him; but ye know him: for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." 1 Jno. 14:17.

4. *Shall be holy.*

"And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the Lord am holy, and have severed you from other people, that ye should be mine." Lev. 20:26.

5. *Shall not be ashamed.*

"And whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed." Rom. 9:33.

6. *Shall be a peculiar treasure.*

"Now therefore, if you will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine." Ex. 19:5.

7. *Shall be with you.*

"Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live: and so the Lord, the God of hosts, shall be with you, as ye have spoken." Amos. 5:14.

8. *Shall be as Mount Zion.*

"They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth forever." Ps. 125:1.

9. *Shall be a blessing.*

"And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing." Gen. 12:2.

10. *Shalt be happy.*

"For thou shalt eat the labor of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee." Ps. 128:2.

11. *Ye shall be head.*

"He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail." Deut. 28:44.

12. *Shall be a delightsome people.*

"And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts." Mal. 3:12.

13. *Shall be prosperous.*

"For the seed shall be prosperous; the vine shall give her fruit, and the ground shall give her increase, and the heavens shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of this people to possess all these things." Zech. 8:12.

14. *Shall be joyful.*

"And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good I do unto them." Jer. 33:9.

15. *Shall be.*

"Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is." 1 Jno. 3:2.

16. *Shall be as ye die.*

"If the clouds be full of rain, they empty themselves upon the earth: and if the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be." Ecc. 11:3.

17. *Shall be rewarded according to our works.*

"And behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be." Rev. 22:12.

Sin Exists in Two Forms.

I. MAN IN HIS NATURAL STATE.

"Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips; and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts. Then flew one of the seraphim unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged." Isa. 6:5-7.

II. INBRED SIN.

1. *Cause of inbred sin.*

"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: Therefore as by the offense of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous." Rom. 5:12, 18, 19.

2. *Comes through inheritance.*

"Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my

mother conceive me." Ps. 51:5. "Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others." Eph. 2:3.

3. *Is called.*

(a) *Sin that besets us.*

"Wherefore, seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us." Heb. 12:1.

(b) *Sin that dwelleth in me.*

"Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me." Rom. 7:20.

(c) *The old man.*

"Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin." Rom. 6:6. "That ye put off the former conversation, the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts." Eph. 4:22.

III. HOW INBRED SIN IS MANIFESTED.

1. *By pride.*

"But they held their peace: for by the way they had disputed among themselves, who should be the greatest." Mk. 9:34.

2. *By fear.*

"And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto

them, walking on the sea. And when the desciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit: and they cried out with fear." Matt. 14:25, 26.

3. *By division.*

"For ye are carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?" 1 Cor. 3:3.

4. *By deception.*

"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." 1 Jno. 1:8.

IV. SINS COMMITTED.

"Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: Though your sins be as scarlet they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isa. 1:18.

(See Ps. 51:4; Isa. 59:1, 2; Matt. 7:21; Lu. 7:47.)

V. TWO-FOLD DELIVERANCE.

1. *Sins of ommission and commission.*

"If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 Jno. 1:9. (Also Ps. 51:5.)

2. *Inbred sin.*

"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 Jno. 1:7. "Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow." Ps. 51:7.

The Saints Have:

I. REDEMPTION.

"In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace." Eph. 1:7.

II. ETERNAL LIFE.

"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God." 1 Jno. 5:13.

III. PEACE.

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Rom. 5:1.

IV. SPIRIT OF ADOPTION.

"For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba Father." Rom. 8:15.

V. A SURE ANCHOR.

"Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the veil." Heb. 6:19.

VI. A GREAT HIGH PRIEST.

"Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: we have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the majesty in heavens." Heb. 8:1.

VII. ANOTHER BUILDING.

"For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands eternal in the heavens." 2 Cor. 5:1.

The Spirit of Christ.

I. POSSESSED BY GOD'S CHILDREN.

"But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ he is none of his." Rom. 8:9.

II. THE EFFECTS OF THE SPIRIT.

1. *Destroys the power of sin.*

"And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness." Rom. 8:10.

2. *Makes alive to righteousness.*

"But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you." Rom. 8:11.

3. *Witnesses to our salvation.*

"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God." Rom. 8:16.

4. *Implants in us good fruit.*

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-

suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance, against such there is no law." Gal. 5:22, 23.

5. *Guides into all truth.*

"Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth, for he shall not speak of himself, but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak; and he will show you things to come." Jno. 16:13.

6. *Teaches and reveals.*

"But the Comforter which is the Holy Ghost whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." Jno. 14:26.

III. NATURE OF.

1. *Spirit of truth.*

"Howbeit when he the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth." Jno. 16:13.

2. *Good Spirit.*

"Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God; thy Spirit is good: lead me into the land of uprightness." Ps. 143:10.

3. *A meek Spirit.*

"What will ye? shall I come unto you with a rod, or in love, and in the Spirit of meekness." 1 Cor. 4:21.

4. *An humble Spirit.*

"I dwell in the high and holy place with him also that is of contrite and humble Spirit, to revive the Spirit

of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite one." Isa. 57:15.

5. *Burning Spirit.*

"When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and the spirit of burning." Isa. 4:4.

6. *Spirit of glory.*

"If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye, for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you." 1 Pet. 4:14.

The Forgiveness of Sins.

I. THE NEED.

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Rom. 3:23.

II. POSSIBILITY.

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promises, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." 2 Pet. 3:9.

III. THE GROUND UPON WHICH OBTAINED.

"If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 Jno. 1:9.

IV. THE CHARACTER.

"Come now and let us reason together saith the Lord, though your sins be as scarlet they shall be as white as snow, though they be red like crimson they shall be as wool." Isa. 1:18.

V. ASSURANCE OF.

"And, behold, they brought to him a man sick with the palsy, lying on a bed; and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy, Son be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee." Matt. 9:2.

VI. WHO MAY BE FORGIVEN.

"Men and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this salvation sent." Acts 13:26.

VII. WHO MAY HAVE IT.

"Against thee and thee only have I sinned and done this evil in thy sight, that thou mayest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest." Ps. 51:4.

VIII. WHEN OBTAINED.

"Behold now, is the accepted time, Behold now, is the day of salvation." 2 Cor. 6:2.

The Believer's Attitude.

I. LEANING.

1. *Suggests confidence and safety.*

"Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved." Jno. 13:23.

II. LYING DOWN.

2. *Suggests rest, peace and assurance.*

"He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters." Ps. 23:2.

III. WAITING.

3. *Suggests prayer, listening and learning.*

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength: they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isa. 40:31.

IV. STANDING.

4. *Suggests firmness or stability.*

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." Gal. 5:1.

V. WALKING.

5. *Suggests progress.*

"But if we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin." 1 Jno. 1:7.

VI. RUNNING.

6. *Suggests haste.*

"Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let

us run with patience the race that is set before us." Heb. 12:1.

VII. LOOKING.

7. *Suggests looking to and for Jesus.*

"Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him, endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." Heb. 12:2.

The Truth.

I. WHAT IS TRUTH.

1. *God is truth.*

"He is the Rock, his work is perfect; for all his ways are judgment; a God of truth, and without iniquity, just and right is he." Deut. 32:4.

2. *Jesus is the truth.*

"Jesus said unto him, I am the way, the truth and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." Jno. 14:6.

3. *The word is truth.*

"Sanctify them through thy truth, thy word is truth." Jno. 17:17.

II. THE TRUTH EXEMPLIFIED.

1. *In his ways.*

"Great and marvelous are thy works, Lord God Al-

mighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints." Rev. 15:3.

2. *In His works.*

"For the word of the Lord is right; and all his works are done in truth." Ps. 33:4.

3. *In his counsels.*

"O Lord thou art my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name, for thou hast done wonderful things; thy counsels of old are faithfulness and truth." Isa. 25:1.

4. *In His word.*

"Thy word is truth from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth forever." Ps. 119:160.

5. *In His judging.*

"Before the Lord: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness and the people with his truth." Ps. 96:13.

6. *In His judgments.*

"And I heard another out of the altar say, even so Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments." Rev. 16:7.

III. THE TRUTH IS DESCRIBED AS BEING:

1. *Great.*

"For thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds." Ps. 57:10.

2. *Abundant.*

"The Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, abundant in goodness and truth." Ex. 34:6.

3. *Plenteous.*

"But thou, O Lord, are a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, plenteous in mercy and truth." Ps. 86:15.

4. *Enduring.*

"For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations." Ps. 100:5.

IV. GOD'S PEOPLE SHOULD:

1. *Worship in truth.*

"God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." Jno. 4:24.

2. *Serve God in truth.*

"Only fear the Lord, and serve him in truth with all your heart, for consider how great things he hath done for you." 1 Sam. 12:24.

3. *Love the truth.*

"Shall be to the house of Judah joy and gladness, and cheerful feasts; therefore love the truth and peace." Zech. 8:19.

4. *Meditate upon the truth.*

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsover things are just, whatsoever things are pure, * * * Think on these things." Phil. 4:8.

5. *Rejoice in the truth.*

"Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in truth." Ps. 51:6.

6. *Should have the truth in their hearts.*

"Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden parts thou shalt make me to know wisdom." Ps. 51:6.

7. *Magnify the truth.*

"I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name." Ps. 138:2.

8. *Bear the fruit of the Spirit in truth.*

"For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth." Eph. 5:9.

V. GOD'S MINISTERS.

1. *Must measure up to the truth.*

"By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report: as deceivers and yet true." 2 Cor. 6:7, 8.

2. *Should speak the truth.*

"Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?" Gal. 4:16.

3. *Must rightly divide the truth.*

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a work-

man that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Tim. 2:15.

VI. DEVIL'S PREACHERS.

1. *Turn men from the truth.*

"For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth: and shall be turned unto fables." 2 Tim. 4:3, 4.

2. *Speak evil of the way of truth.*

"But there were false prophets among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of." 2 Pet. 2:1, 2.

3. *Erred from the truth.*

"Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some." 2 Tim. 2:18.

The Two Followers.

I. THE COLD OR CARELESS.

1. *Followed afar off.*

"Peter followed afar off." Lu. 22:54.

2. *Self-confident.*

"Peter answered and said unto him, Though all men shall be offended because of thee, yet will I never be offended." Matt. 26:33.

3. *Indifferent.*

"And he cometh unto the disciples and findeth them asleep and said unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour?" Matt. 26:40.

4. *Giving vent to carnality.*

"And behold one of them which were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest's and smote off his ear." Matt. 26:51.

5. *Worldly companionship.*

"Now Peter sat without in the palace; and a damsel came unto him, saying, thou also wast with Jesus of Galilee." Matt. 26:69.

6. *Open denial.*

"But he denied before them all saying, "I know not what thou sayest." Matt. 26:70.

7. *Bolder denial with an oath.*

"Again he denied with an oath, I do not know the man." Matt. 26. 72.

The above seven steps show the fatal fall of Peter.

II. THE TRUE AND HOW THEY FOLLOW.

1. *Fully, like Caleb.*

"But my servant, Caleb, because he had another spirit with him and hath followed me fully, him will I bring

into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it." Num. 14:24.

2. *Closely, like Ruth.*

"And Ruth said, Entreat me not to leave thee, or return from following after thee; for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest I will lodge, thy people shall be my people: and thy God my God." Ruth 1:16.

3. *Affectionately, like Paul.*

"Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children." Eph. 5:1.

4. *Jesus only, like Bartimaeus.*

"And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way." Mk. 10:52.

5. *Obediently.*

"If any man serves me, let him come after me." Jno. 12:26.

6. *Righteously.*

"But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness." 1 Tim. 6:11.

7. *Wholly.*

"To him will I give the land that he hath trodden upon and to his children, because he hath wholly followed the Lord." Deut. 1:36.

8. *Onward.*

"Then we shall know, if we follow on to know the

Lord; his going forth is prepared as the morning and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth." Hosea 8:3.

The Hungry Filled With.

Matt. 5:6.

1. *The Holy Ghost.*

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

2. *All knowledge.*

"And I myself also am persuaded of you my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another." Rom. 15:14.

3. *Good things.*

"He hath filled the hungry with good things." Lu. 1:53.

4. *With gladness.*

"In that he did good and gave us rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness." Acts 14:17.

5. *With plenty.*

"So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Prov. 3:10.

6. *Fruit of righteousness.*

"Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which

are by Jesus Christ unto the glory and praise of God." Phil. 1. 11.

7. *Fullness of God.*

"To know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God." Eph. 3 : 19.

(The Bible plainly reveals what God is and we are to be filled with the same.)

(a) *God is light.*

"This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light and in him is no darkness at all." 1 Jno. 1 : 5.

(b) *God of power.*

"But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the Lord." Micah 3 : 8.

(c) *God of peace.*

"And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Phil. 4 : 7.

(d) *God of joy.*

"Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost." Rom. 15 : 17.

The Lord Our Helper.

I. OBTAINABLE.

"Having therefore obtained help of God I continue

unto this day, witnessing both to the small and great." Act 26:22.

II. PERSONAL.

"So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper and I will not fear what man shall do unto me." Heb. 13:6.

III. PAST.

"Because thou hast been my past help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice." Ps. 63:7.

IV. PRESENT.

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." Ps. 46:1.

V. POWERFUL.

"I have laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out of the people." Ps. 89:19.

VI. PROTECTING.

"For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed." Isa. 60:7.

VII. PROVIDING.

"The poor committeth himself unto thee; thou art the helper of the fatherless." Ps. 10:14.

VIII. PRECIOUS.

"Fear thou not; for I am with thee; be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee: yea, I will help

thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." Isa. 41 : 10.

IX. Needful.

"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." Heb. 4 : 16.

True Evidences of Regeneration.

1. *All forsaken.*

"So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot by my disciple." Lu. 14 : 33.

2. *Peace through Christ.*

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Rom. 5 : 1.

3. *Our love.*

"By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." Jno. 13 : 35.

4. *Free from condemnation.*

"There is, therefore, now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit." Rom. 8 : 1.

5. *Not ashamed of Christ.*

"And hope maketh not ashamed because the love of God is shed abroad (or poured out) in our hearts by the Holy Ghost, which is given unto us." Rom. 5 : 5.

6. *God's spirit bears witness with our spirit.*

"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God." Rom. 8:16.

7. *A new creature.*

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." 2 Cor. 5:17.

8 *Hates the world.*

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." 1 Jno. 2:15.

9. *Live above sin.*

"Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he can not sin, because he is born of God." 1 Jno. 3:9.

10. *Clean through the word.*

"Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you." Jno. 15:3.

11. *Bearing fruit.*

"Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit." Jno. 15:2.

12. *Prayers answered.*

"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." Jno. 15:7.

13. *Relish the Word.*

"For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me: and they have received them and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me." Jno. 17:8.

14. *Overcomers.*

"Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world." 1 Jno. 4:4.

15. *Ensamples to all that believe.*

"So that ye were ensample to all that believe." 1 Thess. 1:7.

16. *Self-denying.*

"Then said Jesus unto his disciples, if any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." Matt. 16:24.

17. *Cheerful and free givers.*

"Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give." Matt. 10:8.

18. *Names written in Heaven over which we rejoice.*

"Notwithstanding, in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in Heaven." Lu. 10:20.

19. *Have the know-its.*

"We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren, he that loveth not his brother abideth in death." 1 Jno. 3:14.

The Gospel.

I. WHAT IT IS.

1. *The Gospel of God.*

"Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the Gospel of God." Rom. 1:1.

2. *The Gospel of Christ.*

"In the Gospel of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort you concerning your faith." 1 Thess. 3:2.

3. *The Gospel of salvation.*

"In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation." Eph. 1:13.

4. *The Gospel of grace.*

"But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God." Acts 20:24.

5. *The Gospel of peace.*

"And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace." Eph. 6:15.

II. PREACH TO WHOM.

1. *To the poor.*

"And the poor have the gospel preached to them." Matt. 11:5.

2. *To every creature.*

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mk. 16:15.

III. WHY WE SHOULD PREACH THE GOSPEL.

1. *It brings salvation.*

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation, to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." Rom. 1:16.

2. *It is a witness.*

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Matt. 24:14.

3. *It produces hope.*

"If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven." Col. 1:23.

IV. THOSE WHO RECEIVE THE GOSPEL.

1. *Should not be ashamed of it.*

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." Rom. 1:16.

2. *Should have their conversation becoming to it.*

"Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ." Phil. 1:27.

3. *Should earnestly contend for the faith of it.*

"It was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." Jude 3.

4. *Forsake all for it.*

"And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, or the gospel's, but he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life." Mk. 10:29, 30.

V. A WARNING.

1. *To the preacher.*

"I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel But though we, or an angel from heaven preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed." Gal. 1:6, 8.

2. *To the people.*

"In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power." 2 Thess. 1:8, 9.

The Gift of God.

1. *He gave His Son.*

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only

begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Jno. 3:16.

2. *He giveth light.*

"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple." Ps. 119:130.

3. *He giveth a new heart.*

"A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you, and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh." Ezek. 36:26.

4. *He giveth eternal life.*

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord." Rom. 6:23.

5. *He giveth the comforter.*

"And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you forever." Jno. 14:16.

6. *He giveth power.*

"He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increases strength." Isa. 40:29.

7. *He giveth wisdom.*

"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him." Jas. 1:5.

8. *He giveth faith.*

"For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit." 1 Cor. 12:8, 9.

9. *He giveth more grace.*

"But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble." Jas. 4:6.

10. *He giveth joy.*

"For God giveth to a man that is good in his sight, wisdom, and knowledge, and joy." Ecc. 2:26.

11. *He giveth victory.*

"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory, through our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Cor. 15:57.

12. *He giveth to eat of the tree of life.*

"To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God." Rev. 2:7.

The Grace of God.

I. GOD IS THE GOD OF GRACE.

"But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered awhile, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you." 1 Pet. 5:10.

II. CAME BY JESUS.

"For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ." Jno. 1:17.

III. FREELY GIVEN.

"The Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." Ps. 84: 11.

IV. BY IT WE ARE SAVED.

"Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, by grace are ye saved." Eph. 2: 5.

V. BY IT WE ARE SANCTIFIED.

"And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified." Acts 20: 32.

VI. IN IT WE STAND.

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God, through our Lord Jesus Christ: by whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in the hope of the glory of God." Rom. 5: 1, 2.

VII. THE GRACE OF GOD IS:

1. *Great.*

"And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all." Acts 4: 33.

2. *A conquering power.*

"But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound." Rom. 5: 20.

3. *Rich.*

"In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace." Eph. 1:7.

4. *All sufficient.*

"And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness." 2 Cor. 12:9.

5. *Made.*

"And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work." 2 Cor. 9:8.

VIII. GOD'S SAINTS.

1. *Are under grace.*

"For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace." Rom. 6:14.

2. *Established in grace.*

"Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines: for it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace." Heb. 13:9.

3. *Should be strong in grace.*

"Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus." 2 Tim. 2:1.

4. *Should grow in grace.*

"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." 2 Pet. 3:18.

5. *Should speak with grace.*

"Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers." Eph. 4:29.

IX. GRACE IS GIVEN.

1. *To those who walk uprightly.*

"The Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." Ps. 84:11.

2. *To the humble.*

"But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisted the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble." Jas. 4:6.

The People of God.

Matt. 1:21.

1. *A chosen people.*

"According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." Eph. 1:4.

2. *A changed people.*

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." 2 Cor. 5:17.

3. *A separated people.*

"Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye

separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you." 1 Cor. 6: 17.

4. *A clean people.*

"Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." 2 Cor. 7: 1.

5. *A delivered people.*

"That he would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life." Lu. 1: 74, 75.

6. *A filled people.*

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2: 4. "And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God." Eph. 3: 19.

7. *A satisfied people.*

"And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil." Joel. 2: 24.

8. *A conquering people.*

"Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." Rom. 8: 37.

9. *A free people.*

"And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." Jno. 8: 32.

10. *A rich people.*

"And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the Lord, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel." Isa. 45:3.

11. *A peculiar people.*

"But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into the marvelous light." 1 Pet. 2:9.

12. *People that dwell on high.*

"He shall dwell on high; his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; and his waters shall be sure." Isa. 33:16.

13. *A safe people.*

"He shall dwell on high; his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure." Isa. 33:16.

14. *A liberal people.*

"The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself." Prov. 11:25.

15. *A powerful people.*

"Who is she that looketh forth as the morning; fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners?" Song of Solomon 6:10.

16. *A hilarious people.*

"Let the inhabitants of the rock sing, let them shout from the tops of the mountains." Isa. 42:11.

17. *A well fed people.*

"The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul." Prov. 13:25. "They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing." Ps. 92:14.

18. *A joyful people.*

"Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shall make me full of joy with thy countenance." Acts 2:28. "Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, ye righteous, and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart." Ps. 32:11.

19. *A hearty people.*

"The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul." Prov. 13:25.

20. *A healthy people.*

"They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing." Ps. 92:14.

21. *A prosperous people.*

"Thou shalt be blessed of all people: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle." Deut. 7:14.

22. *A flourishing people.*

"The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree; he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God." Ps. 92:12, 13.

23. *A watchful people.*

"Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come." Matt. 24:42.

24. *A hidden people.*

"Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings." Ps. 17:8.

(a) *Trouble.*

"For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion; in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock." Ps. 27:5.

(b) *From pride of man.*

"Thou halt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man; thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues." Ps. 31:20.

(c) *From daily enemies.*

"Keep me as the apple of the eye; hide me under the shadow of thy wings, From the wicked that oppress me, from my deadly enemies, who compass me about." Ps. 17:8, 9.

The Mission of Jesus.

I. HIS MISSION ON EARTH WAS:

1. *To seek the lost.*

"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." Lu. 19:10.

2. *To save sinners.*

"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief." 1 Tim. 1:15.

3. *To save from sin.*

"And he shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins." Matt. 1:21.

4. *To put away sin.*

"For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself." Heb. 9:26.

5. *To take away sin.*

"And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin." 1 Jno. 3:5.

6. *To wash us from our sins.*

"Unto him that loved us and washed us from our sins in his own blood." Rev. 1:5.

7. *To give spiritual life.*

"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." Jno. 10:10.

8. *To give us an example of an holy life.*

"For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: who did no sin neither was guile found in his mouth: who, when he was reviled, reviled not again, when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously." 1 Pet. 2:21. 23.

II. HIS POWER.

1. *He has all power.*

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power in given unto me in heaven and in earth." Matt. 28: 18.

2. *He has power to save.*

"I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save." Isa. 63: 1.

3. *He has power to forgive sins.*

"But that ye may know that the Son of Man hath power to forgive sins." Matt. 9: 6.

4. *He has power to keep from falling.*

"Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy." Jude 24.

Twelve Everlasting Things.

1. *Everlasting salvation.*

"But Israel shall be saved in the Lord with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end." Isa. 45: 17.

2. *Everlasting life.*

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." Jno. 5: 24.

3. *Everlasting assurance.*

"And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings and in quiet resting places." Isa. 32:18.

4. *Everlasting love.*

"The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee." Jer. 31:3.

5. *Everlasting peace.*

"Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end." Isa. 9:7.

6. *Everlasting foundation.*

"As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more: but the righteous is an everlasting foundation." Prov. 10:25.

7. *Everlasting name.*

"Even unto them will I give in mine house and within mine walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will also give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off." Isa. 56:5.

8. *Everlasting gospel.*

"And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people." Rev. 14:6.

9. *Everlasing strength.*

"Trust ye in the Lord forever: for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength." Isa. 26:4.

10. *Everlasting way.*

"And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." Ps. 139: 24.

11. *Everlasting light.*

"The Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory." Isa. 60: 19.

12. *Everlasting joy.*

"Therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them." Isa. 61: 7.

Teach Me.

I. GOD OUR TEACHER.

"Thus saith the Lord, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldst go." Isa. 48: 17.

II. WHAT HE TEACHES.

1. *Good way.*

"Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and right way." 1 Sam. 12: 23.

2. *To do thy will.*

"Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God: thy Spirit is good: lead me into the land of uprightness." Ps. 143: 10.

3. *Thy paths.*

"Show me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths." Ps. 25:4.

4. *Thy statutes.*

"Blessed art thou, O Lord; teach me thy statutes." Ps. 119:12.

5. *Thy judgments.*

"Accept, I beseech thee, the free will offerings of my mouth, O Lord, and teach me thy judgments." Ps. 119:108.

6. *To pray.*

"And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples." Lu. 11:1.

7. *To number our days.*

"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." Ps. 90:12.

8. *That which I see not.*

"That which I see not, teach thou me; if I have done iniquity, I will do no more." Job 34:32.

9. *The way to go.*

"I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye." Ps. 32:8.

10. *To deny ungodliness.*

"Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly

lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world." Tit. 2:12.

II. ALL THINGS.

"But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." Jno. 14:26.

Take Heed.

I. TAKE HEED.

1. *To what we hear.*

"And he said unto them, Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you; and unto you that hear shall more be given." Mk. 4:24.

2. *How we hear.*

"Take heed therefore how ye hear: for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have." Lu. 8:18.

3. *Lest there be an evil heart.*

"Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God." Heb. 3:12.

4. *In keeping the commandments.*

"But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the Lord charged you, to love the Lord your God, and to walk in all his

ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, to serve him with all your heart, and with all your soul." Josh. 22:5.

5. *In prayer.*

"Take heed, watch and pray; for ye know not when the time is." Mk. 13:33.

6. *In stability.*

"Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth, take heed lest he fall." 1 Cor. 10:12.

7. *In speech.*

"He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction." Prov. 13:3.

8. *In keeping worldly company.*

"I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me." Ps. 39:1.

9. *In care of soul.*

"Only take heed to thyself, and to keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thine heart all the days of thy life." Deut. 4:9.

10. *In the house and worship of God.*

"Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and be more ready to hear than to give the sacrifice of fools; for they consider not that they do evil." Eccl. 5:1.

11. *In building.*

"I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon." 1 Cor. 3: 10.

12. *To ourselves.*

"Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." 1 Tim. 4: 16.

Ten Precious Things

I. PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS.

"But with the precious blood of Jesus, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." 1 Pet. 1: 19.

II. PRECIOUS WORD.

"And the word of the Lord was precious in those days; there was no open vision." 1 Sam. 3: 1.

III. PRECIOUS CORNER STONE.

"Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner stone, elect, precious; and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded." 1 Pet. 2: 6.

IV. PRECIOUS PROMISE.

"Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust." 2 Pet. 1: 4.

V. PRECIOUS OINTMENT.

"It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard; that went down to the skirts of his garments." Ps. 133:2.

VI. PRECIOUS CHURCH.

"She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her." Prov. 3:15.

VII. PRECIOUS FAITH.

"To them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." 2 Pet. 1:1.

VIII. PRECIOUS FRUIT.

"Be patient therefore brethren, unto the coming of our Lord. Behold the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain." Jas. 5:7.

IX. PRECIOUS IS THE DEATH OF THE SAINTS.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." Ps. 116:15.

X. PRECIOUS THINGS OF HEAVEN.

"And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the Lord be his land, for the precious things of heaven." Deut. 33:13.

The Bride and the Bridegroom.

I. THE FACT OF THEIR EXISTENCE.

"He that hath the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice; this my joy therefore is fulfilled." Jno. 3:29.

II. THEIR BETROTHAL.

"And I will betroth thee unto me forever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in loving kindness, and in mercies. I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the Lord." Hos. 2:19, 20.

III. THE BRIDE.

1. *She is pure.*

"Thou art all fair, my love; there is no spot in thee." S. of Sol. 4:7.

2. *She has no sisters.*

"My dove, my undefiled is but one; she is only one of her mother, she is the choice one of her that bare her." S. of Sol. 6:9.

3. *She has but one husband.*

"For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I might present you as a chaste virgin to Christ." 2 Cor. 11:2.

4. *She is subject to him.*

"Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything." Eph. 5:24.

IV. THE BRIDEGROOM.

1. *Only Son.*

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life." Jno. 3:16.

2. *Has but one wife.*

"My dove, my undefiled is but one; she is the only one of her mother." S. of Sol. 6:9.

3. *He loves her.*

"Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it." Eph. 5:25.

4. *He is the head of the bride.*

"For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the Saviour of the body." Eph. 5:23.

V. THEIR AGREEMENT.

1. *To walk together.*

"Can two walk together, except they be agreed?" Amos 3:3.

2. *He promised never to leave her.*

"For he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." Heb. 13:5.

3. *He promised to supply all her needs.*

"But my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory." Phil. 4:19.

4 *He promised to grant her desires.*

"Therefore I say unto you, what things soever ye desire when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." Mk. 11:24.

5. *He prepares her supper.*

"And he said unto me, Write, blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb." Rev. 19:9.

The Millennial.

1. *The King shall reign in righteousness.*

"Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment." Isa. 32:1.

2. *He will sit upon the Throne of David.*

"He shall be great and shall be called the son of the highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David. And he shall reign over the house of Jacob forever: and of his kingdom there shall be no end." Lu. 1:32, 33.

3. *The Throne shall be at Jerusalem.*

"At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the Lord; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the Lord, to Jerusalem, neither shall they walk any more after the imagination of their evil heart." Jer. 3:17, 18.

4. *The Apostles shall sit upon the twelve thrones.*

"And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, that ye which have followed me in the regeneration, when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon the twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel." Matt. 19:28.

5. *This reign is to be upon the earth.*

"For thou wast slain and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred and tongue, and people, and nation." Rev. 5:9, 10. "And hath made us unto our God kings and priests; and we shall reign on the earth. Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth." Matt. 5:5.

6. *Heaven only received Jesus until the time of restitution of all things.*

"And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: Whom the heaven must receive, until the time of the restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began." Acts 3:20, 21.

The Judgment.

1. *Appointed Day.*

"Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained." Acts 17:31.

2. *As sure as death.*

"And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." Heb. 9:27.

3. *Is for all.*

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ: that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." 2 Cor. 5:10.

4. *Is thorough.*

"For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good or whether it be evil." Ecc. 12:14.

5. *A day of wrath.*

"For the great day of his wrath is come: and who shall be able to stand?" Rev. 6:17.

6. *A day of rewards.*

"And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be." Rev. 22:12.

I. REWARD OF THE RIGHTEOUS.

1. *Shall inherit the earth.*

"Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth." Matt. 5:5.

2. *Heaven will be their future home.*

"To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you. Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." 1 Pet. 1:4, 5.

II. REWARD OF THE WICKED.

1. *Hell will be their everlasting home.*

"The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." Ps. 9:17.

Give a brief contrast and nature of the two places, Heaven and Hell. Heaven, a prepared place. Jno. 14:2, 3. City. Heb. 13:14, Rev. 22:14. Nature. Rev. 7:16, 17. Hell, a prepared place for the wicked, nature, outer darkness. Matt. 25:30. Lake of fire. Rev. 20:15. Everlasting fire and punishment. Rev. 20:10.

Trusting the Lord.

I. OUR TRUST.

1. *Should not be in ourselves.*

"We should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raised the dead." 2 Cor. 1:9.

II. WHAT SHOULD WE TRUST.

1. *In the Lord.*

"Trust ye in the Lord forever; for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength." Isa. 26:4.

2. *In His Word.*

"So shall I have wherewith to answer him that reproacheth me: for I trust in thy word." Ps. 119:42.

III. THOSE WHO PUT THEIR TRUST IN THE LORD.

1. *Salvation by trusting.*

"He shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him." Ps. 37:40.

2. *Are kept from fear.*

"Behold God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and song: he also is become my salvation." Isa. 12:2.

3. *Are kept from sliding.*

"Judge me, O Lord; for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in the Lord; therefore I shall not slide." Ps. 26:1.

4. *Are fed.*

"Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shall be fed." Ps. 37:3.

5. *Are kept in a state of prosperity.*

"But he that putteth his trust in the Lord shall be made fat." Prov. 28:25.

6. *Are kept fixed and settled.*

"He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord." Ps. 112:7.

7. *Are kept happy.*

"And whoso trusteth in the Lord, happy is he." Prov. 16:20.

8. *Have much joy.*

"But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them; let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee." Ps. 5:11.

9. *Are led in his paths.*

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart: and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Prov. 3:5, 6.

10. *Have no fear of death.*

"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil, for thou art with me: thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." Ps. 23:4.

The Heart Without God Is:

1. *Deceived.*

"He feedeth on ashes: a deceived heart hath turned him aside." Isa. 44:20.

2. *Desperately Wicked.*

"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" Jer. 17:9.

3. *Evil.*

"Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief." Heb. 3:12.

4. *Weak.*

"How weak is thine heart, saith the Lord God, seeing thou doest these things." Ezek. 16:30.

5. *Rebellious.*

"But this people hath a revolting and a rebellious heart." Jer. 5:23.

6. *Hard.*

"For they will not hearken unto me: for the house of Israel are impudent and hard-hearted." Ezek. 3:7.

7. *Stony.*

"And I will take the stony heart out of their flesh and will give them an heart of flesh." Ezek. 11:19.

8. *Despiteful.*

"And have taken vengeance with a despiteful heart, to destroy it for the old hatred." Ezek. 25:15.

9. *Proud.*

"A high look, and a proud heart, and the ploughing of the wicked is sin." Prov. 21:4.

10. *Double.*

"With flattering lips and with a double heart do they speak." Ps. 12:2.

11. *Impenitent.*

"But, after thy hardness and impenitent heart, treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God." Rom. 2:5.

12. *Foolish.*

"But became vain in their imaginations and their foolish heart was darkened." Rom. 1:21.

The Heart With God Is:-

1. *Soft.*

"For God maketh my heart soft." Job 23: 16.

2. *Clean.*

"Create in me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me." Ps. 51: 10.

3. *New.*

"And make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel?" Ezek. 18: 31.

4. *Fixed.*

"He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord." Ps. 112: 7.

5. *Faithful.*

"And foundest his heart faithful before thee." Neh. 9: 8.

6. *Understanding.*

"Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad." 1 Kings 3: 9.

7. *Honest.*

"But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it." Lu. 8: 15.

8. *True.*

"Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith." Heb. 10: 22.

9. *Sound.*

"Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed." Ps. 11:80.

10. *Glad.*

"Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth; my flesh shall also rest in hope." Ps. 16:9.

11. *Established.*

"His heart is established, he shall not be afraid." Ps. 112:8.

12. *Perfect.*

"Because with a perfect heart they offered willingly to the Lord: and David the king also rejoiced with great joy." 1 Chron. 29:9.

13. *Wise.*

"And the fool shall be servant to the wise of heart." Prov. 11:29.

14. *Pure.*

"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." Matt. 5:8.

The Devil.

I. THERE IS A PERSONAL DEVIL.

"Now there was a day when the Sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also among them. And the Lord said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the Lord, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it." Jno. 1:6, 7.

II. HE WAS ONCE AN ANGEL IN HEAVEN.

"How art thou fallen from Heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into Heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the Most High. Yet thou shalt be brought down to Hell, to the sides of the pit." Isa. 14: 12-15.

III. HIS POSITION AND POWER.

1. *Prince of the air.*

Wherein time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience." Eph. 2: 2.

2. *Prince of the world.*

"Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me." Jno. 14: 30.

3. *The God of the age.*

"In whom the God of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them." 2 Cor. 4: 4.

4. *The whole world in his power.*

"And we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness." Jno. 5: 19.

5. *All the unsaved are his children.*

"Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it." Jno. 8: 44.

IV. THE WORK OF SATAN.

1. *Great deceiver of the world.*

"Even him whose coming is after the working of Satan, with all power and signs and lying wonders, That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness." 2 Thess. 2: 9, 12.

2. *He preaches and has his churches.*

And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works." 2 Cor. 11: 14, 15.

3. *Author of sin and sickness, death.*

"How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with him." Acts 10: 38.

V. HIS DOOM.

1. *Bound a thousand years.*

"And I saw an angel come down from Heaven, having

the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, and cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season." Rev. 20:1-3.

2. *In the lake of fire.*

"And the devil that deceiveth them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever." Rev. 20:10.

The Blood.

I. THE BLOOD IS THE LIFE OF CHRIST, SET APART FOR THE ONLY SOUL TONIC.

"For the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your sins: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul." Lev. 17:11.

II. IT IS MORE POWERFUL THAN THE BLOOD OF ANIMALS.

"For if the blood of bulls and of goats and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh; how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God." Heb. 9:13.

III. WHAT IS ACCOMPLISHED BY OR THROUGH THE BLOOD.

1. *It cleanses or forgives sins of omission or commission.*

"And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood." Rev. 1 : 5.

2. *It sanctifies us.*

"Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate." Heb. 13 : 12.

3. *It cleanses from sin.*

"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 Jno. 1 : 7.

4. *It makes peace.*

"And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven." Col. 1 : 20.

5. *It brings us nigh unto God.*

"But now in Christ Jesus, ye who sometimes were afar off, are made night by the blood of Christ." Eph. 2 : 13.

6. *It enables us to overcome.*

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb.

and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death." Rev. 12: 11.

IV. THE CONDITION OF THOSE WHO REMAIN UNDER THE BLOOD.

"And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes, and whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, these are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." Rev. 7: 13-17.

Unity.

1. *Of the Spirit.*

"Endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." Eph. 4: 3.

2. *Of faith.*

"Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ." Eph. 4: 13.

3. *In prayer.*

"These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren." Acts 1: 14.

4. *In worship.*

"O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his

name together." Ps. 34:3. "We took sweet counsel together and walked into the house of God in company." Ps. 55:14.

5. *Of mind.*

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1.

6. *In praise.*

"Praising God, and having favor with all the people." Acts 2:47.

Victory.

1. *If we have the greatness and power of God victory is sure.*

"Thine O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in heaven and in the earth is thine: Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou are exalted as head above all." 1 Chron. 29:11.

2. *Victory through Jesus.*

"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Cor. 15:57.

3. *Victory is given through faith.*

"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." 1 Jno. 5:4.

4. *Sing the song of faith, and his right hand and holy arm is sure to give victory.*

"O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done

marvelous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory." Ps. 98: 1.

5. *Victory is given for death and tears.*

"He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces." Isa. 25: 8.

6. *By keeping we will be permitted to play the harp.*

"And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God." Rev. 15: 2.

"The perfect victory is to let Christ triumph over one's self, through the Spirit.

When you are forgotten, or neglected, or set at naught, and you smile inwardly—that is VICTORY.

When your good is evil spoken of, when your wishes are crossed, your tastes offended, your advice disregarded, your opinions ridiculed, and you take it all in patient, loving silence—that is VICTORY.

When you are content with any food, raiment, climate or society—that is VICTORY.

When you bear with any discord or irregularity (of which you are not the cause)—that is VICTORY.

When you can stand face to face with folly, extravagance, contradiction of sinners, persecution and endure it all as Jesus endured it—that is VICTORY.

When you never care to refer to yourself in conversation, testimony, nor to record your good works—that is VICTORY."

What is Said About the Apostles.

I. WHO AND WHAT THEY WERE.

"And they were filled with the Holy Ghost: and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

1. *Left all to follow Jesus.*

"And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all and followed him." Lu. 5:11.

2. *They were branches of the true vine.*

"I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without me ye can do nothing." Jno. 15:5.

3. *They were not of the world.*

"They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." Jno. 17:16.

4. *They were clean.*

"Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you." Jno. 15:3.

5. *They were free from sin and guile.*

"Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith unto him, Behold an Israelite indeed in whom is no guile." Jno. 1:47.

6. *They belonged to Jesus." "Thine they were."*

"I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world; thine they were, and thou

gavest them me; and they have kept thy word." Jno. 17:6.

7. *They walked with him in regeneration.*

"And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration, when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel." Matt. 19:28.

8. *They were ordained and sent forth to cast out devils, heal the sick.*

"And when he called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease." Matt. 10:1.

9. *They received the word.*

"For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me." Jno. 17:8.

10. *They had joy.*

"And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. Notwithstanding, in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." Lu. 10:17, 20.

II. PENTECOST FULLY COME.

1. *Were bold.*

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and

they spake the word of God with boldness." Acts 4:31.

2. *They obeyed God only.*

"But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." Acts 4:19, 20.

3. *Ministry more effective.*

"Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls." Acts 2:41.

4. *They went everywhere preaching.*

"Therefore they that were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the word." Acts 8:4.

5. *Nothing could restrain them.*

"And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison. But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth and said, Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life." Acts 5:18-20.

Waiting on God.

I. SALVATION BY WAITING ON GOD.

"Therefore I will look unto the Lord, I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me." Micah 7:7.

II. HOLY GHOST RECEIVED BY.

"And being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me." Acts 1:4.

III. STRENGTH REDOUBLED AND SPIRITUAL LIFE AND HEALTH RENEWED.

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint." Isa. 40:31.

IV. THE LORD'S WAY KEPT.

"Wait on the Lord and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land." Ps. 37:34.

V. HIS GOODNESS MADE KNOWN.

"The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him." Lam. 3:25.

VI. PROTECTION GRANTED.

"Because of his strength I will wait upon thee: for God is my defence." Ps. 59:9.

VII. INHERIT THE EARTH.

"For evil doers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the Lord, they shall inherit the earth." Psa. 37:9.

VIII. PATIENTLY.

"Be patient therefore brethren, unto the coming of the

Lord. Behold the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts; for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh." Jas. 5:7, 8.

What Think Ye of Christ.

Matt. 22:42.

1. *As a Teacher.*
2. *As a Preacher.*
3. *As a Physician.*
4. *As a Prophet.*
5. *As a Comforter.*

I. WAS HE WHAT HE CLAIMED TO BE OR NOT?

Let us imagine ourselves in court, with lawyers, clerks, judge and jury.

II. WITNESSES.

1. *His enemies—Pharisees and Sadducees.*

"And the Pharisees and scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them." Lu. 15:2. "The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners." Matt. 11:19.

2. *Pilate—He was a Jew.*

"Then said Pilate to the chief priests and to the people, I find no fault in this man." Lu. 23:4.

3. *Pilate's wife.*

"His wife sent unto him saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him." Matt. 27: 19.

4. *Judas associated with Christ three years and was treasurer.*

"Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood." Matt. 27: 4.

5. *The dying thief.*

"But this man hath done nothing amiss." Lu. 23: 41.

6. *Centurion. He bore the name of the sheriff, had charge of the execution and was at Calvary, it was he that gave the orders for the nails to be driven.*

"He said, Truly this man was the Son of God." Mk. 15: 39.

7. *The devil. Even the very devil knew him and yet men don't know him.*

"Thou son of the most high God; hast thou come here to torment us before the time?" Matt. 8: 29.

III. FRIENDS.

1. *John the Baptist. There was a man sent from God.*

"Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." Jno. 1: 29.

2. *Peter.*

"That by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom

ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand before you whole." Acts 4: 10.

3. *Thomas.*

"And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God." Jno. 20: 28.

4. *Paul.*

"For whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ." Phil. 3: 8.

There are other witnesses such as Mary, Martha, Lazarus, Mary Magdalene, the blind, lame, and halt whom Jesus healed, etc.

IV. ANGELS AT ONE TIME TESTIFIED OF JESUS.

"And the angel said unto them Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Lu. 2: 10, 11.

IV. GOD HIS FATHER.

"This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Matt. 3: 17.

Work of the Holy Spirit.

1. *He convicts.*

"And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment." Jno. 16: 8.

2. *He regenerates.*

"Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." Jno. 3:5-7.

3. *He bears witness of our sonship.*

"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God." Rom. 8:16.

4. *He is our sanctifier.*

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

5. *He empowers.*

"But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1:8.

6. *The Spirit leads and guides.*

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God they are the sons of God." Rom. 8:14. "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth." Jno. 16:13.

7. *He imparts liberty.*

"And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." 2 Cor. 3:17.

8. *He makes us useful.*

"For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord." Acts 11:24.

9. *He is the only baptism.*

"I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." Matt. 3:11.

10. *Known by the abundant fruit.*

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law." Gal. 5:22, 23.

Walking With God.

I. CONDITIONS.

"But Noah found grace in the sight of the Lord. These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God." Gen. 6:8, 9.

1. *It is a possibility.*

"And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him." Gen. 5:24.

II. IMPLIES.

1. *Walking as He walked.*

"He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked." 1 Jno. 2:6.

2. *Walking in the light.*

"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 Jno. 1:7.

3. *Walking in the truth.*

"For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth." 3 Jno. 1:3.

4. *Walking in the Spirit.*

"If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit." Gal. 5:25.

5. *Walking in His ways.*

"But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the Lord charged you, to love the Lord your God, and to walk in all his ways." Josh. 22:5.

6. *Walking in the old paths.*

"Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls." Jer. 6:16.

7. *Walking by the gospel rule.*

"Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing." Phil. 3:16.

8. *Walking in newness of life.*

"That like as Christ was raised up from the dead by

the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." Rom. 6:4.

9. *Walking honestly.*

"Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying." Rom. 13:13.

10. *Walking by faith.*

"For we walk by faith, not by sight." 2 Cor. 5:7.

III. PROMISES TO THOSE WHO WALK WITH HIM.

1. *Not faint but renew their strength.*

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles: they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." Isa. 40:31.

2. *They shall have good things.*

"For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." Ps. 84:11.

What God Does With Our Sins.

1. *Lays on Jesus.*

"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way: and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." Isa. 53:6.

2. *Covers.*

"Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered." Rom. 4:7.

3. *Removes.*

"And far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us." Ps. 103: 12.

4. *Puts away.*

"He appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself." Heb. 9: 26.

5. *Passed away.*

"Behold I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with a change of raiment." Zech. 3: 4.

6. *Casts in the sea.*

"He will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea." Micah 7: 19.

7. *Casts behind His back.*

"For thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back." Isa. 38: 17.

8. *Blotted out.*

"I even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake and will not remember thy sins." Isa. 43: 25.

9. *Washes from.*

"Unto him that loved us and washed us from our sins in his own blood." Rev. 1: 5.

What Jesus is to Us.

1. *A Savior.*

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins." Matt. 1:21.

2. *A sanctifier.*

"And for their sakes I sanctify myself that they also might be sanctified through the truth." Jno. 17:19. "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14.

3. *A healer.*

"Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases." Ps. 103:3.

4. *A deliverer.*

"There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob." Rom. 11:26.

5. *A High Priest.*

"Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed from the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession." Heb. 4:14.

6. *Way, truth and life.*

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." Jno. 14:6.

7. *Door of blessing.*

"I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he

shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture." Jno. 10:9.

8. *Counsellor.*

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulders: and his name shall be called wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Isa. 9:6.

9. *Guide.*

"I will guide thee with mine eye." Ps. 32:8.

10. *Light.*

"I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness but shall have the light of life." Jno. 8:12.

11. *Shepherd.*

"I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." Jno. 10:11.

12. *Bread of life.*

"Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread." Jno. 6:34.

13. *Day spring.*

"Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the day spring from on high hath visited us." Lu. 1:78.

14. *Friend.*

"A man that hath friends must show himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother." Prov. 18:24.

15. *Comforter.*

"For the Lord shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord: joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving and the voice of melody." Isa. 51:3.

16. *Bridegroom or coming King.*

"Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him; for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints." Rev. 10:7, 8.

17. *Resurrection.*

"I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." Jno. 11:25.

18. *Judge.*

"And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead." Acts 10:42.

Ye Are My Witnesses.

Isa. 43:10.

I. A Witness is:

1. *One who testifies to what he personally knows.*

"We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness." Jno. 3:11.

2. *One who testifies to what he sees.*

"For the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us." 1 Jno. 1:2.

3. *One who testifies to what he hears.*

"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us." 1 Jno. 1:3.

II. GOD'S WITNESSES ARE COMMANDED:

1. *To let their light shine.*

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matt. 5:16.

2. *To make straight paths.*

"And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed." Heb. 12, 13.

3. *To be separate.*

"Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you." 2 Cor. 6:17.

III. GOD'S WITNESSES ARE ALWAYS READY TO TESTIFY.

"And be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear." 1 Pet. 3:15.

1. *To the remission of sins.*

"To give knowledge of salvation unto his people, by the remission of their sins." Lu. 1:77.

2. *To the acceptance with Christ.*

"Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him. Acts 10:34. 35.

3. *To justification by faith.*

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Rom. 5:1.

4. *To living without sin.*

"Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin: for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God." 1 Jno. 3:9.

5. *To sanctification.*

"By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." Heb. 10:10.

6. *To crucifixion of sin.*

"Knowing this that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin." Rom. 6:6.

7. *To being ready for service.*

"But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to

honor, and some to dishonor. If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work." 2 Tim. 2:20, 21.

8. *To being ready to depart to be with Christ.*

"For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." 2 Tim. 4:6-8.

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